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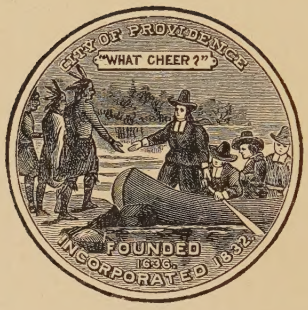

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PREFACE

THIS volume reproduces in type a portion of the records contained in the earliest book now in the possession of the city, mainly used for probate proceedings of the town. It is not, however, the first book so used, for in the schedule of the books and papers belonging to the town, which survived the effects of King Philip's War, so called, and which schedule bears date June 4, 1677, there is inventoried among other records "A Small papor Book Containing the Enrolements of wills:" (see Second Report of the Record Commissioners, Appendix B, p. 24). This "enrolement of wills" disappeared some time between the date of the schedule and April 26, 1755, and its loss is to be regretted as it undoubtedly contained much relative to the earliest settlers of Providence that would be of the greatest interest.

The book, a portion of which is here reproduced in type, is designated as Will Book No. 1, though this name is of quite recent application. It was originally called "The First Booke for Prouidence Towne Councill Perticulior vse," from the fact that the town council exercised probate jurisdiction, a system still prevailing by law in many towns in Rhode Island.

The original manuscript book is fifteen inches long and six inches wide, and is in a fair state of preservation considering its age and the general use to which it has been subjected. Its arrangement is somewhat confused as the records were entered consecutively from page 1 to page 126, when the book was reversed and the records were continued at a point twenty-five pages from the other end and written up to the earlier records, and then the book was reversed again and the last twenty-five pages were filled. This, at least, is the best account the commissioners can give of the method in which the book was originally used.

The copy from which this volume has been printed, was made by Florence S. Clapp, an assistant in the office of the Clerk of the Municipal Court, and was carefully compared with the original by Cora B. Jewett and Mabel G. Cole, assistants in this office; but the commissioners have personally read and compared the proofs with the original records, requiring revises until a proof sheet was obtained in which such vigilance as they were able to exercise could detect no error.

For convenience and to avoid reference to other volumes the commissioners would state that the printing of this volume, like its predecessors, is authorized under several resolutions of the City Council of Providence, the first of which was approved March 6, 1891, and is as follows:

"Resolved, That Horatio Rogers, George M. Carpenter, and Edward Field, are hereby appointed record commissioners, who shall serve without compensation, for the purpose of collecting and printing the early records of the town of Providence. And said commissioners are hereby authorized to expend the sum of one thousand dollars for collecting and printing said records, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for printing."

In the printing of this volume the same signs have been used as in former volumes, and for convenience the explanations thereof are repeated here.

The figures at the top of the pages, and enclosed in brackets, indicate the paging of this present volume.

The heavy figures enclosed in brackets represent the paging of the original book as it now stands.

This mark | shows the beginning and end of interlineations in the original.

Words or letters printed in parentheses are so found in the original.

Brackets enclosing blank space, thus, [ ] signify that something is missing, or illegible in the original.

The sign ℘ is used to represent a contraction or double letter, which, in the original, stands for pr, and is used as the representative of syllables containing those letters with a vowel.

In very many cases the marks or sign manuals made by illiterate persons to instruments, in lieu of their own proper written signatures, are reproduced in fac-simile on the records by the recording officer, but in print in this volume these signs are usually represented by an X, being the conventional sign commonly used for that purpose.

Four indexes follow the text in this book, viz.: an Index to Names; an Index to Indian Names; an Index to Subjects; and a Miscellaneous Index. In the preparation of the latter index the commissioners desire to acknowledge their obligations to William E. Foster, Esq., of the Providence Public Library, and to Egbert W. Simmons, Esq., for much valuable assistance.

HORATIO ROGERS,
GEORGE M. CARPENTER,
EDWARD FIELD.

PROVIDENCE, July, 1894.

WILLS &c.

NO. 1

[PART ONE]

A

The Towne of prouidence their Book ffor the Entry of the Towne Counsell[s] Acts and orders begann 1678, no: j.

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[1] Att a meeting of the Towne Counsell o[ ] the Towne of prouidence, march the twenty fift: 1678.

Concerneing Tho: Sucklings Estate

The sayd Counsell being Called togeather the day and yeare abovesayd in order to heare and Consider what right titley and Claime as Heire the sayd Albee had to the Esstate of Thomas Suckling Deceased, at which sayd meeting the sayd Albee ordered to be, but Came not, nor walter Clarke or any for him to make his demaund apeare the sayd Counsell there upon did order to break up till they, or any other matters did present for y^e^ Counsells Consideration, Entered ꝑ^r^ Jo^n^ whipple Clerk to y^e^ Counsell,

Att a meetting of y^e^ Towne Covncill of providence this 5^th^ day of january 167[ ]
8[ ]

order aboute Abigall Dexter.

Aplycation being made | (to y^e^ covncill) | this day by Abigall | dexter widdow) | of this Towne of providence Concerning her deceased Husband Stephen Dext[ ] who Dyed jntestate: The towne Councill of providence hath jnvested y^e^ sd Abigall Dexter (widdow) as followeth

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Her Letter of Administration, on y^e^ behalfe of her Husband who Dyed jntestate.

You Abigall | Dexter, | who being by y^e^ Towne Covncill of providence jmpowered and Appoynted Lawfull Administrtix on y^e^ behalfe of yo^r^ Deceased Husband Stephen Dexter his Estate: We y^e^ sd Covncill of providence aforesd, Doe by these p^r^sents fully jmpower you y^e^ sayd Abigall Dexter to Administer vpon y^e^ Estate of yo^r^ sd deceased Husband Stephen Dexter, for to receive all h[ ] Debts, & to pay all his Debts, And truely to Execute & ꝑforme in all respects according to y^e^ true intent & meaneing heare of.

Stephen Arnold Ast:

Given vnder o[r] hands & Seales
this 5[th] day of january j679: / Arthur ffenner Asst:
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John whipple Ast

Enroled & Examned, / Roger williams

Henry Browne

[ ] D[ ] Abbott Clerke of y[e] Councill:

[2] Know all men by these p[r]sents, That I Abigall Dexter, Late wife & Relick to Stephen Dexter of this Towne of providence Deceased, Doe owne & Acknowledge myselfe my heires, Executors, & Administrat[r]s, to stand justly, truely, & Lawfully Endebted vnto y[e] now Towne Covncill of y[e] aforesd Towne of providence & theire Successers, in y[e] full & just Sume of fifty povndes Starlinge to be Lievied vpon my Landes Goods & Chattles, to y[e] Due ℘formanc[ ] whereof I binde myselfe my heires Execut[r]s & Administato[r]s

Her Bond.

The Condition of this Obligation is Such y[t] if y[e] above Bovnden Abigall Dexter shall take a True jnventory of y[e] aforesd deceased's Estate, And to faithfully fullfill & ℘forme Every Sentance Clause & Determination in a Letter of Administration to me granted by y[e] sd Towne Covncill beareing Date this 5[th]. of January j679, vpon y[e] Estate of my aforesd Deceased Husband Stephen Dexter The which if I shall soe Doe, then this bond shall be voyd in Law & of noe force, but if other wise, to stand in full force virtue & Effect: jn wittnesse whereof I doe hearevnto Sett my hand & Seale this 5[th] day of January j679. /
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Signed, Sealed, & delivered in y^e p^rsence of vs.
Joseph williams
Daniell Abbott

The mark X off Abigall Dexter

Enroled & Examined ℔ Daniell Abbott Clerke of y^e Covncill

The Jnventory of y^e Estate of Stephen Dexter of this Towne of providence Deceased. As ffolloweth

	£	s	d
jmpri: ℔ what of his weareing Cloathes some putur, with other things in a Greate Chest, & y^e sd Chest, To be vallued at	06	00	00
The jnventory. ℔ what sheetts, & other Linnen, w^th other things in another Chest, w^th the Chest itselfe, valled.	06	00	00
℔ a Great Kettle, to be valled at	01	15	00
℔ a peice of Linnen of aboute 11 yds, vallued	01	00	00
℔ a box, with what was in it, valled at	00	15	00
℔ a ffrying pan, & other Trumpery, vallued at	00	10	00
[3] ℔ an Jron kettle, a Tramell, fire-shovell, & Tongs, with an Jron pott, skillett, & other Trvmpery, To be valled at	02	00	00
℔ one Cow, one steere, & one Calfe, valled	04	05	00
℔ Two yong Swine, valled at	00	10	00
℔ one gun, vallued at	00	15	00
To y^e best of o^r vnderstanding The totall is Rekoned as money	23	10	00

This above written, is a true & faire apprizall of what was made appeare to vs to be y^e^ Estate of Stephen Dexter of this Towne of providenc[ ] Deceased

Taken this 22^nd^: of Desemb^r^: j679:/ Epenatus Olney
As wittnsse o^r^ handes Joseph williams./

The wittnesses heare above Signing: did (vpon theire Engagm^t^: before y^e^ Covncill meett this 5^th^. day of January j679) decleare, y^t^ this above written, To be a good, & true 80 Jnvntory to y^e^ best of theire vnderstanding

℔ Daniell Abbott Cl: of y^e^ Covncill.

Enroled & Examined ℔ D: A: Clerke of y^e^ Covncill.

Providence y^e^ 5^th^: of io^th^: j679 (vtt Vulgo)

By the Towne Councill of providence

Power of Administration of all & Singular Landes Goods Estate & debts of Thomas Roberts formerly jnhabitant of providence in N England Deceased intestate, is gran[ ] to Cap^t^: Richard Smith of Nanhigansett in New-England, in the behalfe of Christopher Roberts of Arlingham in the County of Glostor Richard Smith he haveing given Security to Administer the sd Estate according to Law, & bringing in an jnventory of y^e^ sd Estate vpon Oath vnto y^e^ sd Towne Councill of providence within a yeare & day of y^e^ Date heare of

This is Richard Smiths matters & Concernc-ments Alsoe see in y^e^ 8^th^ page of this booke for y^e^ bond.

Roger williams
Stephen Arnold Assit:
Arthur ffenner Assitt:
John whipple Assit:

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[5] Att a meetting of y^e^ Towne Covncill.=Aprill y^e^ 5^th^ i680:/ att pautuxett, Richard waterman of this Towne of

providence then Certified y^e^ sd Covncell, By a writting p^r^sented to them That by reason of many differances & threatnings he hath had of Late by his father in Law, y^t^ he is | become | weary of them: jn soemuch as he hath seene cause to make choyce of Dan: williams & Nathaniell waterman to be Gardians to | take care of | his person, And to take car[ ] of what was his father's Right y^t^ it may not be jmbaZeled.

As attest Daniell Abbott Clerke of y^e^ Council

Att a meetting of y^e^ Covncill of of the Towne of providence, being orderly Conveined to gather May y^e^ 22^nd^: j680:

Applycation being made to y^e^ sd Covncill by Walter Clarke of New-port, Concerning y^e^ Estate of Thomas Suckling formerly jnhabitant of this Towne of providence who deceased jntestate. And vpon Consideration thereof, The sayd Covncill hath jnvested y^e^ sayd walter Clarke As ffolloweth

Providence y^e^ 22^nd^. of may j680

This is Walter Clarkes Matters & Concernements.

Power of Administration of all & Singular Landes Goodes Estate & Debts of Thomas Sucklings formerly jnhabitant of providence in New-England deceased jntestate is Granted vnto walter Clarke of Newport in y^e^ Collony of Road jsland in New-England, in y^e^ behalfe of y^e^ aforesd Thomas Suckling Walter Clerke he haveing given Security to Administer y^e^ sayd Estate according to Law, & bringing in an jnventory of y^e^ sayd Estate vpon jngagement vnto y^e^ sayd Towne Covncill of providence within a yeare & day of y^e^ date heareof.

Rich: Smiths Letter of Administration Alsoe see in y^e^ 8th page of this booke for y^e^ bond.*

Given by vs y^e^ Towne Covncill of providence vnder our handes and Seales.

* This paragraph is erased in the original by lines drawn across it.

Dated may y^e 22^nd: i680: Arthur ffenner Assist:

Joseph jenckes Assist:

Henry Browne

Edward Smith

Roger Williams

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[6] The before written, was Entered vpon Record y^e day & yeare aforesd, & examined ꝑ Dan Abbott Clerke of y^e Covncill

Know all men by these p^rsents, That I walter Clarke of New-port, in y^e Collony of Road jsland in New-England, Doe owne & acknowledge my selfe, my heires, execut^rs, & Administrators, to stand Lawfully Endebted vnto y^e now Towne Covncill of providence aforesd & theire Successers in y^e full and just Sume of forty povndes Starleing to be Levied vpon my Landes Goodes & Chattles, to y^e due ꝑformance where of, I binde my selfe, my heires, execut^rs, and Administrators.

The Condition of this Obligation is Such, that if y^e above bovnden walter Clarke shall Take a true jnventory of y^e Estate of Thomas Sucklinge formerly jnhabitant of y^e sayd Towne of providence, (Deceased) & faithfully to fullfill & ꝑforme Every Sentance, Clause, & determination in A Letter of Administration to him Granted by y^e sayd Towne Councill (bareing date this 22^nd: of may i680:) vpon y^e | Estate of y^e | aforesd (deceased) Sucklings The which if he shall soe doe, then this bond shall be voyd in Law & of noe force, but if other-wise, to

stand in full force Vertue and Effect. jn wittnesse whereof, I doe heare vnto sett my hand and Seale, This 22nd of may j680:
Signed, Sealed, & delivered
in ye presence of vs. Walter Clarke
John Whipple junr:
John Borden.

Enroled & Examined ye day & yeare Above Sayd.
℔ Dan Abbott Clerke

Heare followeth ye Enrolement of Jon: Lappums, & Jon: Easton's Testimonies Concerning Thomas Suckling of this Towne of providence Deceased.

John Lappum of New-port Aged forty five yeare or there aboutes being Engaged according to Law Testifieth and Saith yt in & aboute ye yeare one Thousand six hundred Seaventy foure Thomas Sucklin & his wife both of ye Towne of providence Did [**7**] Did give & bequeth what Estate they should have Left of what sort soever it be at ye time of the death of the Longest Liver of them vnto ye people Called Quakers Liveing on Road jsland on ye Condition yt ye people Called Quakers should provide for them dureing ye time of theire Life, and further saith that that ye people Called Quakers Did Supply them and Board & shingle theire house

Taken in Newport on Road-jsland may ye i8th j680:
Before Thomas Ward Assistant

John Easton of Newport Aged fifty five yeares or there aboutes being Engaged according to Law doth Testifie to ye Substance of ye above written Testimony.

Taken in Newport on Road jsland ye day & yeare above written
Before Thomas Ward Assist:

Entered may ye 22nd: j680: / ℔ D: A: Cl:

Att a meetting of y^e^ Towne Covncill of y^e^ Towne of providence (who being orderly Conveined togather) May y^e^ 22^nd^ 1680:

Samuell winsor petioned y^e^ Councill for theire further care, & y^e^ better Settleing of y^e^ Estate belonging vnto y^e^ widdow mercy whome he Married with, And alsoe for theire Assistance to Correct y^e^ jrrigular Courses of Richard waterman his Son in La[ ] Concerneing w^ch^, Nathaniell waterma[ ] and Daniell williams (he saith) hath dealt Malliciously by him: Therefore in order to a further heareing of both sides, the Covncill have adjurned vntill Thursday next, being y^e^ 27^th^ of this jnstant, at y^e^ dwelling house of Daniell Abbott at nine of y^e^ Clocke in y^e^ morneing. desireing & requireing all who are therein Concerned, to repaire vnto y^e^ sayd Councill at time & place Appoynted to give Answer to what things shall then be objected against them. Ordered y^t^ a Copy heareof be sett vp, & Signed in y^e^ behalfe of y^e^ Councill: ℔ me Daniell Abbott Clerke

[8] The Enroulement of Richard Smith's Bond.

Rich Smith his bond.

This bond bindeth me Rich Smith of Narragansett my heires & Assignes to pay or cause to be payd vnto y^e^ Towne Covncill of providence y^e^ full Sume of Two hundred povnd:

The Condition of this Obligation is such that if y^e^ above bovnd Richard Smith shall well & Truely ℔forme all y^e^ Clauses mentioned in A Letter of Administration granted in behalfe of Christopher Roberts of Arlingham in y^e^ County of Gloster, then this Above Obligation shall be voyd, other wayes shall stand in full force and virtue. wittnesse his hand & Seale This 5^th^ day of desember 1679: /

Alsoe se the Letter of Administration in y^e^ 3^d^: page of this booke.

wittnes
Samuell winsor
John Dexter

Richard Smith

Entred vpon Record this 26th day of may: j680: And Examined By Dan: Abbott Clerke

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Att a meetting of ye Towne Councill of providence vpon Adjurnement
This 27th day of may i680:
Att wch sayd meetting weare prsent Roger williams, Joseph jenckes, Henry Browne, and Edward Smith
The Councill then agreed vpon this prsentation to ye Generall Assembly As ffolloweth

The Covncills Letter to ye genll: Assembly.

To ye honrd Genrll Assembly Sitting at Newport ye 27th of octobr 1680:
An humble prsentation of ye Towne Councill of ye Towne of providence.
Whereas Resolved waterman of ye Towne of providence dyed intestate some yeares Since before ye Late warrs, | but | By reason of divers hinderances the Towne Covncill of providence covld not make a will according to Law, but yt ye Time be|ing| Elapsed, the matter falls into ye hands of ye honrd Genrll: Assembly:
And although two | preceeding | Towne Covncills have Travelled in ye matter before vs, And we ye present Towne Covncill Attempting to finnish what ye former Towne Covncill did not, we [**9**] we finde our Selves incapassitated we humbly make our Addresse to this honrd Assembly praying them Either by themselves to make a will or if theire wisdomes see fitt to Transferr a new power vnto vs or the next Succeeding Towne

Covncill We shall for our parts be humbly willing & ready to Attend yo^{r} pleasure And Soe Craving Parden for this Trouble and wishing a Bleaseing from heaven on all yo^{r} Transactions we remaine Yo^{r} humble & faithfull Servants

Joseph jenckes Assistant
The 27th of may 1680: Roger williams.
Henry Browne.
Edward Smith.

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[10] Heare ffolloweth | y^{e} Enrolement o|f A Coppie of Thomas Wallings Last will & Testament.

Be it knowne vnto | all | people by these presents, y^{t} I Thomas Walling of providence in y^{e} Collony | of Road jsland | and providence plantations in New-England, being through Sicknesse weake of Body but yet of perfect memory, Doe make this my Last will & Testament:

Jtem. I doe give vnto my three sons (viz) Thomas walling, John walling, & william walling my farme which I now dwell vpon Eaqually to be Divided Amongst them both y^{e} vpland & y^{e} meadow, The w^{ch} shall fall into theire hands at y^{e} age of Twenty and one yeares Each one as he cometh to Age And as for my son william aforementioned, vnto him I doe give & bequeth my dwelling house & all my out houseing, And y^{t} his sayd part or share of y^{e} sayd farme shall be Adjoyneing to y^{e} sd dwelling house Takeing my orchard of ffruite Trees into y^{e} same, And y^{e} Spott or Small percell of meadow w^{ch} I bovght of George way Lyeing by y^{e} sd dwelling house to belong to my sayd | son | william; But soemuch as it Containeth

Thomas wallings Last will & Testament.

shall be deducted out of his part of y^e^ other meadow Lyeing with in y^e^ ffarme, that Soe theire may be an Equall devision of my sd meadow Amongst my sd Three Sons And y^t^ none of my sayd Three Sons shall Sell any of theire shares vnto any person but vnto one of theire Breathren, that is to say Thomas, John, James, will; and Cornealous; And if any of my Above sayd Three Sons doe Dye before Marriage & jshue thereby, then shall y^e^ deceaseds part of y^e^ sd Land revert to y^e^ Survivers Equally, but in case all three dyes before jshue, then for y^e^ parts to be devided between theire other Two Breathren | (viz) | James & Cornealous.

Jtem. I doe give & bequeth vnto my Son James walling all my Right of Landes Lyeing Abovte the place Called wesquatdomsett to fall into his hands at y^e^ Age of Twenty & one yeares

Jtem. I doe give vnto my Son Cornealous Walling all my Right of Landes on y^e^ west Side of y^e^ Seaven mile Line w^ch^ any wayes belong|eth| to me with in y^e^ Towneshippe of providence And if these my two Sons James & Cornealous or any of them dye without Jshue, then shall the deceaseds part be devided Amongst y^e^ other Breatherne, Neither shall any of them Sell theire | parts | of Land but to one of theire breathen But in case theire be more devisions then one on y^e^ west side of y^e^ Seaven mile Line, then I doe give what doth belong to my Right, or is Layd out to me on y^e^ Second devission to my Son Garshon wallinge, I doe Alsoe give to my Son Garshon Ten shillings

Jtem. I doe give vnto my Daughter Abigall walling: five shillings All my Right of Comona|in|ge on y^e^

East side of y^e^ Seaven mile Line, I give vnto my three Sons Thomas, John, & william

Jtem. I doe give & bequeath vnto my Loving wife Margrett walling all my Moveable goods & Cattle. [11] Cattle to be wholely at her owne dispose, & y^e^ | use & | Beniffitt of all my Landes vntill my Childdren Come to Age and to bring vp my sayd Children, And that my sayd wife Margrett shall have y^e^ disposeing & ordering of my dwelling house & other houseing vntill my Son william Cometh to | the | Age of Twenty and one yeares; | and | then shall my sayd Son william take into his hands y^e^ one halfe of his part of Land & halfe of | all | y^e^ houseing, & y^e^ other halfe of the houseing & his part of Lands to remaine in the handes of my sayd wife Margrett dureing her Life, & after her decease to fall into y^e^ handes of my sayd Son william But in case that my sayd wife Margrett doe Marry before my sayd Son William Attaine y^e^ Age of Twenty and one yeares, then shall my sayd house & houseing & his part of Land Adjoyneing fall all into his handes at y^e^ Age of Twenty & one yeares, And if my sayd wife Margrett doe Marry After my sayd Son william is Attained to y^e^ Age of Twenty & yeares, then shall my sayd Son william possesse all my sayd houseing and all his part of y^e^ sayd farme at y^e^ day of his Mother my Now wife Margrett her Marrage and I doe Constistute & Appoynt my Lo: ing wife Margrett walling to be my true and Absolute Executrix, to receive all my Debts, & to pay all my Debts, & truely to ℔forme this my will and Testament, and to See my body to be decently Buried

And I doe desire my Brother-Jn law Daniell Abbott, & my Loveing Cosen Daniell Browne to be y^e^ Overseers of this my

will for my sayd wife & Children to repaire to for Advice & Assistance As need shall require

Jn wittnsse whereof, I doe hearevnto Sett my hand and Seale the Nineteenth day of July in the yeare one Thousand Six hundred Seaventy and foure.

Signed, & Sealed in y^e^ presence of vs — The marke T W of Thomas walling.

Thomas Olney jun^r^:
John whipple jun^r^:

The aforesd Enrouled Coppie, was Endorsed as followeth

Cop^a^ ℔ me John Smith Clerke of y^e^ Towne of providence

Entered this 31^th^ of may 1680: / & Examined ℔ Daniell Abbott Towne Clerke

[12] The Enrolement of A Letter of Administration Granted vnto Margrett Walling as ffolloweth

Margretts wallings Admin-stration.

Whereas you Margrett Walling of providence in y^e^ Collony of Road jsland & providence Plantations in New-England was by y^e^ Last will & Testament of yo^r^ deceased husband Thomas walling made & Appoynted his Exsecutrix; The w^ch^ will bareth date y^e^ Nineteenth day of July Anno one Thousand Six hundred Seaventy foure: These are therefore to Authorize & jmpower you y^e^ sayd margrett walling to Administer vpon y^e^ Estate of yo^r^ sayd deceased husband Thomas walling, & truely to Execute & performe his Sayd Last will & Testament in all & Each perticular according to y^e^ true intent & meaneing thereof.

Given by vs y^e^ Towne Covncill of providence vnder our handes & Seales

Dated y^e^ 22^nd^ day
of november i675

Arthur ffenner Assistant

Thomas harris Assistant

Thomas Olney Senior

William Carpenter

Thomas Olney jun^r^:

Entered vpon Record this first day of june i680
Examined & Compared: By Daniell Abbott Cl:
The Enrolement of | a Coppie of y^e^ | jnventory
As ffolloweth

An Jnventory of y^e^ Estate of Thomas walling of this Towne of providence Now Deceased.

Jmpri:	Three Cowes	10–10–00
	Two yovng bulls	03–10–00
Three Calves		01–10–00
Two Horses		04–10–00
Tenn Swine		10–00 00
Jn y^e^ outer Roome of y^e^ dwelling hous		00 00 00
Two Jron potts		01–00–00
one Bell mettle Skillett		00–02–00
Tinning ware		00–00–06
	Two ffrying pans	00–08–00
The jnventory.	One spitt & Two Gunns	01–18–00
	Earthen ware	00–02–00

One Tramell & | two | hooks	00–03–06
Two bibles, Two spinning wheeles, one P | of | Cards	00–14–00
wooden dishes & Lumber	00–10–00
Jn y^e^ inner Roome	00 00 00
One bed, & beding thereto belonging	03–00–00
One Chest and what is in it	00–10–00
home made Cloath, & one Lonthorne	01–10–00
his wareing Cloathes	02–10–00
One paire of bootes without Tops, one paire of shoes	00–15–00
homemade yarne	01–10–00
one P of Gloves, & Two P of Stockings	00–06–00
homemade yarne	00–12–00
Lumber	00–15–00
[13] Jn y^e^ Leantoo	00–00–00
Two Blanketts being homemade	01–15–00
Three Sieves	00–03–00
Lumber	00–12–06
Jn y^e^ Chamber	00–00–00
Sheeps wooll, & Cotten wooll	01–08–00
Jndian Corne & Cheese	00–13–00
Lumber	00–10–00
Jn y^e^ Sellar	00–00–00
One firkin of Butter	01–10–00
One Tub & Two keellars	00–08–00
One Churne, Two pailes, & one pigging	00–04–00
Tallow & Candals	00–06–00
Jn y^e^ Sellar Chamber	00–00–00
foure Barrels	00–12–00
Sheeps wooll & Lumber	00–10–00

One horse Cart & wheeles, with other horse Tackling to it	02–15–00
all his working Tooles	02–10–00
One Saddle, one pillion, & one pannell	01–10–00
Two Sithes, one P of horse ffetters plow & plow-Jrons	00–14–06
The dwelling house outhouseing Land & medow there | vnto | Adjoyneing	100–00–00
his Right of Commonning on ye East Side of ye foure mile Line Sett by the Towne	03–00–00
his halfe Right of Commoning between ye Seaven mile Line & ye foure mile Line sett as aforesayd	01–00–00
His Right of Landes medowes, & Commonning Lieing vpon ye west side of ye seaven mile Line	05–00–00
His Right of Landes wescodomsett	01–00–00
The Sum totall if noe mistake in ye Casting vp is	171–07–00

A ffaire prizall of what was made appeare vnto vs to be the Estate of ye aforesayd Thomas walling | now | Deceased. Being Taken this Tenth day of August one Thousand Six hundred Seaventy and foure, by vs As wittnesse our handes

John Smith
John whipple junr:

The Enroled | Coppie | afore mentioned, was Endorsed As followeth Cop ℔ me John Smith Clerke of ye Towne of providence.

Entered vpon Record ye first of june 1680:
℔ Daniell Abbott Towne Clerke

[**14**] Att a metting of y^e^ Towne Covncill of the Towne of providence y^e^ 25^th^ of june i680:

The w^ch^ metting was on purposely called to order concerning y^e^ affaires partaineing to y^e^ Last will & Testament of Stephen hardinge jun^r^:, who deceased this Life y^e^ Last day of y^e^ month of may in this p^r^sent Yeare

The | w^ch^ | will & Testament of y^e^ Testator being approved, And Sufficient bond given by Abraham Harding | y^e^ Executor | to ꝑforme it; accordingly is there power given him Administer. The w^ch^ are in order as ffolloweth.

The Enrolement of y^e^ sd will & Testament

Providence y^e^ 19^th^ of y^e^ month called Aprill: i680

The Last will & Testament of Stephen harding jun^r^: of y^e^ Towne of providence in y^e^ Collony of Road jsland and providence Plantations in New England is as ffolloweth

ffirst. I give to my father all my household goods and Chattles Excepting only out of it Soe much as shall Satisfie my Sisters for theire Tending of me

Stephen Hardings (jun^r^:) his last will & testament.

Secondly. I give to my Brother Abraham harding my house and orchard: togather with my Lands and medows to me belonging Lyeing neare y^e^ said house: and as they are Exprest in a deed of gift given to me of my father: provided my sayd Brother shall pay y^e^ remainder of my debts

Thirdly. I give to my Brother in Law Samuell winsor my wives best Suite of Apparrell:

ffourthly I make my Brother Abraham my Execut^r^ to receive in my debts and pay as aforesayd: and to see my body decently putt into y^e^ grovnd at his Charge:

And Lastly I appoynt my ffriends Allexander Balkcom and

Jonathan Spragve: to be my overseers to see that this my will be ℔formed:

Jn The p[r]sence of
Allexander Balkcom
Jonathan Spragve.

Signed Sealed by me Stephen Harding in y[e] time of my vnderstanding and Memory the day & yeare abovewritten

The wittnesses heare above Signeing, Did before y[e] Covncill mett this 25[th] of june: j680: declare vpon Sollemne Engagement, That y[e] abovewritten as it is dated, was y[e] Last will & Testament of y[e] deceased Stepheen harding jun[r]:

As Attests (approveing y[e] will) Stephen Arnold Assist:
Joseph jenkes Assist:

This above written, was Entered vpon Record june y[e] 27[th]: j680: / ℔ D: A: Cl:

[15] The Enrolement of y[e] Jnventy
Providence y[e] 23[th] of june: j680:

An jnventory of y[e] Estate of Stephen harding (jun[r]:) who deceased this Life, y[e] Last day of May in this p[r]sent yeare: j680:

		£ s d
Jmpri:	℔ his dwelling house, & abovte Twelve Acars of Land & Meadow, with y[e] orchard therein included vallued at	32–00–00
The jnventory of his Estate.	℔ Two Cowes, Two yearleings, & Two Calves togather vallued at	07–10–00
	℔ Six Swine togather vallued at	01–16–00
	℔ one haire bed, & feather piller Claymed by Samuell winsor vallued at	00–13–00

℔ a Cover led vallued at	00–j6–00
℔ a Blankett, a sheett, & 2 pillars vallued at	00–i5–00
℔ 2 Cussions, & a P of Boddies vallued at	02–00
℔ 2 Spinning wheeles, a Churne, a Tub, joynture, a Chizell, wth other things in y^{e} Leantoe, vallued at	0i–00–00
Jn y^{e} Chamber	00–00–00
℔ a bed stead vallued at	00–05–00
℔ a percell of home spun yarne vallued at	0i–00–00
℔ a percell of Cotten wooll in a sieve vallued at	00–02–00
℔ a P of wooll Cardes vallued at	00–02–00
℔ 3 playnes & a hammer vallued at	00–04–00
℔ a percell of sheeps wooll vallued at	00–0i–06
℔ Basketts & other Lumber vallued at	00–0i–06
Jn y^{e} fire Roome	00–00–00
℔ a great kettle, Claymed by Samuell winsor vallued at	00–i6–00
℔ a great Chest wth a draw, Claymed by Samuell winsor vallued at	00–j0–00
℔ 2 Tubbs & Two keellars vallued at	00–04–00
℔ 2 Sieves, & some wooden Lumber valued at	00–06–00
℔ an Jron Skillett Claymed by Samuell winsor vallued at	00–02–00
℔ a gunn vallued at	00–i2–00
℔ gunns Left of others in y^{e} house vallued at	0j–05–00
℔ an Jron pott, a pan, Tramell, hooke, & a peice of Barr-Jron to be vallued at	00–i6–00
℔ a glasse, Bottle, & Earthen ware vallued at	00–0i–06
℔ another Chest, & alsoe a box, to be vallued at	00–08–00
℔ a percell of Linnen, vallued at	0i–i8–04

℔ Two Chaires, vallued at	00–01–06
℔ another percell of Linnen	00–02–06
[16] ℔ a percell of old Cloathes to be vallued at	00–16–00
℔ a Cloake belonging to his wife, & her pette-coate & wescoate to be vallued at	02–00–00
℔ 3 pettecoates, & a green haporne to be vallued at	01–05–00
℔ 3 white Aprones, vallued at	00–12–00
℔ a percell of Small Linnen with a Silke hood & a Scarffe, to be vallued at	01–17–00
℔ a white Tiffinny whiske vallued at	00–02–00
℔ his wareing Cloathes vallued	01–04–06
℔ a percell of Childs Linnen, wth some other things, vallued at	02–06–00
℔ a prety neate pin cussion vallued at	00–01–06
℔ a percell of puter, & some Tining ware, vallued at	01–12–00
℔ spoones, gratter, wooden dishes, & vanis-glasse vallued at	00–04–00
℔ 2 Chest Locks, Claymed by Samuell winsor, vallued at	00–02–00
℔ ginjor, & other things in y^{e} Till of y^{e} greate Chest vallued	00–00–06
℔ 3 E|m|pty Barrells, & some meate, vallued at	00–17–00
℔ a percell of Jndian Corne, & Some Rye, vallued at	00–16–00
℔ 2 Empty Ankcors, & a small Chest, 2 pales, a P of Tongs with some other small things vallued	00–09–06
℔ a Broad ax, & Razor, at	00–05–06
℔ a percell of Cader shingles to be vallued at	00–08–00
℔ a hatt, a wescoate, & an jnkhorne vallued at	00–04–00
The Totall Sume (if noe misetake in y^{e} casting vp) Rekconed as money is	68–13–00

This is a True jnventory, to y^e best of o^r vnderstanding,
Taken by vs y^e day & yeare abovesd,

As wittnesse o^r hands { Daniell pratt
Thomas Arnold
Abigaill Dexter

[**17**] Abraham harding, As Executor to y^e Last will & Testament of his deceased Brother Stephen Harding, Did (vpon his sollemne Engagement) declare before y^e Covncill mett this 25^th of june j680: That the above written, is a True, & good jnventortoty to y^e best of his vnderstandinge

As attests { Stephen Arnold Assist:
Joseph jenckes Assist:
Roger williams

Entered vpon Record y^e 29 of june: i680:

℔ Daniell Abbott Towne Clerke

The Enrolement of a Letter of Administration Granted vnto Abraham Hardinge As ffolloweth

Whereas you Abraham Hardinge of y^e Towne of Newport in y^e Collony of Road jsland & providence Plantations in New England was by y^e Last will & Testament of yo^r deceased Brother Stephen Hardinge made | & | Appoynted his Executor; The which will bareth date y^e i9^th day of Aprill in this p^rSent yeare one Thousand Six hundred and Eighty: These are therefore in y^e Name of his Majesty to Authorize and jmpower you y^e sd Abraham Hardinge to Administer vpon y^e Estate of yo^r sayd deceased Brother Stephen Hardinge, And truely to Execute and ℔forme his sayd Last will & Testament in all & Each ℔ticular accord to y^e true intent and meaneing thereof.

Given by vs y^e Towne Councill of providence vnder o^r handes and Seales.

Dated this 25th day of june : j680:

Stephen Arnold Assistant

Joseph jenckes Assistant

Roger williams

Thomas Arnold

Entered this 11th day of july i680:

℔ me Daniell Abbott Clerke.

[18] The Enrolement of Abraham Hardings Bond As ffolloweth Be it knowne vnto all people by these prsents, That I Abraham Hardinge of ye Towne of Newport in ye Collony of Road jsland and providence Plantations in New England, Doe by these prsents owne & Acknowledge myselfe to be Endebted vnto ye Towne Covncill of ye Towne of providence ye full and just Sume of one hundred and Twenty povnd Starleinge payable vpon demand:

The Condition of this Obligation is Such, That if ye above bovnd Abraham Hardinge shall truely Execute and ℔forme all ye Clauses mentioned in a Letter of Administration to him granted by ye Towne Covncill of providence bareing date this prsent day, then this Obligation shall be voyd & of none Effect, but if other wise, then to stand in full force & virtue: Jn wittnesse whereof, he doth hearevnto Sett his hand and Seale This Twenty fift day of june one Thousand Six hundred and Eighty.

Signed, Sealed, & delivered
in ye presents of
Daniell Abbott Clerke
The mark X of Margrett Abbott.

Abraham Harding

Entered this iith: of july: i680: / ℔ Dan: Abbott Clerke.

Memorand: Att a metting of y^e^ Towne Councill of y^e^ Town of providence june 25^th^: 1680

That then it was Agreed by y^e^ sd Covncill, for y^e^ Towne Covncill to keep a sett time of theire meetting togather to order aboute Gen^rll^ things: To witt, vpon Every | first | wensday in Each month for this Ensueing year

as attests D: A: Cl: of y^e^ Councill

The prsentation of will: ffenner's Last will. The Towne Councill of y^e^ Towne of providence mett (according to order) on this 5^th^ day of January 1680: Att w^ch^ Sd meetting, Cap^tn^: Arthur ffenner p^r^Sented to y^e^ Sd Councill The Last will & Testament of his Deceased Bro: William ffenner; w^ch^ sd will bareth Date y^e^ 30^th^ Day of August 1680:

As Attests Dan: Abbott Clerke

[ ]ublication [ ]f marriage [19] Att a Meetting of y^e^ Towne Councill of y^e^ Towne of providence ffeb: y^e^ 9^th^, 1680: 81.

Att w^ch^ Said Meetting, Laurence Clenton and Mary wooddin both jnhabitants of y^e^ Towne | of | jpswich in y^e^ Masachusetts Collony, Declared theire intention of Marriage Each with y^e^ other, being y^e^ first time of publishing heare, noe man forbiding.

The Meetting is Adjurned for halfe an houre.

The Councill is againe Sitting according to Adm^t^:

publication of Laurence Clenton & Mary wooddin The Sayd Laurence Clenton & Mary wooddin above named, hath againe Declared theire intention of Marriage Each with y^e^ other, being y^e^ Second time of publishing, noe man forbiding.

Heare followeth y^e^ Enroulment of a writeing w^ch^ he y^e^ sd Laurence Clenton p^r^sented the Councill, to shew y^e^ Consent of y^e^ father of the sd Mary wooddin: (viz.)

[ ]her fathers [ ]nsent

I John wooddin of beuerly in the covnty of esexe in new england doe not see now anything but that laurance clenton and my daughter mary, may proceed in the honourable state of matrimony.

Beverly february. 1. 1680:

[ ]he Evidence for ye truth hereof.

John Rament junr: of ye Towne of Beverly in ye Collony aforesd, being prsent before ye Covncill at ye publishing of ye parties abovenamed, delared, vpon his Sollemn Engagemt being ye nature of an oath, That he knew, of his Certaine knowledge, that ye sd John wooddin had Given his Consent according as ye writeing jmporteth: the matter therefore being Adjudged ye Clearer for proceeding.

[ ]eire Mar- [ ]iage.

Soe vpon this 9th day of ffeb: 1680: 81: The Sayd Laurence Clenton, & Mary wooddin, were joyned togather to dwell with Each other in ye honourable State of Matrymony. By Joseph jenckes Assistant:

As attests Dan: Abbott Clerke of ye Councill.

Jon. Waterman's prsentation

John waterman of this towne of providence, hath this day prsented a Signification to ye Covncill in writeing, declareing, that he being of Age according to Law, have seene cause to make Choyce of two gardians to Looke after ye welbeing of | his | person, & ye jmprovement of his jnheritance, according to theire descreetion.

The Meetting is Adjurned vntill tomorrow at 10th of ye Clock in ye Morning.

Att a Meetting of ye Towne Councill of this Towne of providence on ye first wensday in March & ye Second day of ye Month j68$\frac{0}{1}$.

Touching Liscence

That for as much as y^e^ Gen^rll^: Assembly of this his Majesties Collony on y^e^ 5^th^ of y^e^ month of may Last past, then ordered, & Authorized in this Collony, that y^e^ Towne Councovncills of Each their respective Townes, should regulate among them y^e^ disorderly Selling of strong drink without theire Liscience, & [ ] Suppresse whome they see cause, & to grant [ ] to such they think fitting for y^e^ Entertaining o[ ]

parties called to give Answer.

[**20**] The w^ch^ y^e^ Councill having this day Considered of, & finding it needfull that Some persons among vs in this Towne be Established to y^t^ end & purpose have therefore Caused John whipple jun^r^: & Mary pray to Come before them (who are y^e^ Likelyest persons (at present) y^t^ we have in this Towne, to vndetake it); to know of them whether they would accep[ ] And Engage Each of them to keep a publick house of Entertainement for strangers, provideing both for horse & | man | for this Ensueing yeare

The w^ch^ y^e^ sd whipple, & pray, promiseth they would doe, & ℔forme according to y^e^ best of their Skill & abillities.

Wherevpon y^e^ Clerke is heare ordered to draw v[ ] theire Lisciences, to be Signed by y^e^ Councill.

See in y^e^ 3^d^, & 8^th^ pages of this Booke.

Att a meetting of y^e^ Towne Councill of y^e^ Towne o[providence y^e^ 13^th^ day of Aprill 1681:

Jt is granted vpon y^e^ Request of Cap^t^ Richard Smith That y^e^ Administration granted him, as alsoe his bond be Continued a Twelve month Longer, from | & after y^e^ expiration of | y^e^ date thereof:

The meetting is adjurned 25^th^ of this jnstant

The | covncill | mett according to y^e^ adjornement. And

againe adjorned vntill y^e 27^th of this jnstant month Aprill 1681

They are againe called.

The Councill is againe Sitting according to y^e Adjornem^t Who caused John whipple & mary pray to come before them to Signe there bonds, & receive theire Liscences who then promised they would doe: but afterwards y^e sd whipple refused to give in bond to y^e sd councill acceptance; Therefore y^e sd mary pray (she only) is Liscenced in this Towne for this Ensueing yeare,* a Coppie whereof is as followeth

A Copa of y^e Liscence

Wee whose names are hearevnder written, the Towne Councill of providence in y^e Collony of Road jsland and providence plantations in New England, Doe by thes[ ] p^rsents Liscence you Mary pray of y^e Towne and Collony aforesd, To keep a publick house of Entertainement for y^e releiveing of Travelles & strangers, provideing both for horse & man. As alsoe by retall to sell vnto o^r inhabitants (according to y^e Char[ ] Beer, wine, or strong Liquors, for, & dureing y^e space of one whole yeare from y^e date theareof: Soe as you y^e sd mary pray, doth not suffer any vnLawfull game to be used in yo^r house, nor any Evill rule to be keept therein; but doe behave yo^rselfe, according to y^e Lawes Established within this Collony, in that behalfe provided Given by vs, (in y^e Three & Thirtyeth yeare of his Majesties Raigne Charles y^e Second King of England Scotland france & Jreland & y^e Dominions thereto belonging); As wittnesse o^r handes

Arther ffenner
Joseph Jenckes
This 27^th of Aprill 1681: Roger Williams
Thomas Arnold

walter Clark's matters. Cap^{tn} Arthur ffenner (as an Atturney to Walter Clark) hath this day brought in an jnventory of y^{e} Estate of Thomas Suckling; (deceased.) The w^{ch} was approved of: by y^{e} Covncill: The sd jnventory bareing date 15th of this jnstant:

As attests Dan Abbott Clerk to y^{e} Councill.

[ ]ll: [ ]er's [ ]s The sd Cap^{t} ffenner hath this day brought in An Jnventory of y^{e} Estate of william ffenner (Deceased) bareing date y^{e} 15th day of this jnstant; The w^{ch} was approved of by y^{e} Councill.

As attests Dan: Abbott Clerk To y^{e} Councill

The paymt for the Liscences [21] *And for as much as mary pray is Enjoyned by y^{e} Councill to pay Twenty shillings as money for her Liscence granted her: And she being willing to give Libberty to y^{e} Towne for theire towne meettings to be keept at her house for the Ensueing yeare; The Covncill vpon consideration thereof doth see cause to accept of y^{e} Same for full Satisfaction in Lue of y^{e} sd Twenty shillings, The whole Sume for both Liscences being forty shillings.

This should a beene placed where y^{e} starr poynts it. on y^{e} other page. As attests Dan: Abbott Clerke to y^{e} Covncill

[ ]mpri: An jnventory of y^{e} Estate of william ffenner (formerly) of this Towne of providence; Deceased. As followeth

	£ s d
℔ his Seaven Acars of Land in y^{e} neck, Layd out for his Two shares of meadow, vallued at	05–00–00
℔ his Sixteene Acars of Land Lyeing at a place called by y^{e} name of weekwompamiscock, vallued at	03–00–00
℔ his Twenty five Acar Right of comoning through-out, vallued at	04–00–00
The Totall Sume Reckoned as money is	12–00–00

This is a True apprizall of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ sd william ffenner, as to y^e^ best of our vnderstanding was made appeare

Taken by vs (this 15^th^ day of Aprill 1681:

As wittnesse our handes Tho: Arnold

Daniell Abbott Clerke

This jnventory was p^r^sented to y^e^ Towne Covncill of providence (vpon y^e^ 27^th^ day of Aprill: 1681) by Cap^t^ Arthur ffenner) for theire approbation: The w^ch^ | was | accepted & approved of, by y^e^ sd Covncill.

As attests Daniell Abbott Clerke to y^e^ Covncill

An jnventory of y^e^ Estate of Thomas Suckling of this Towne of providence, deceased. As ffolloweth

		£ s d
jmprim:	His house Lott (& orchard) in y^e^ Roe of house Lotts in this Towne of providence, vallued at	05–00–00
℔	his five Acars of Boggie Meadow, Lyeing between y^e^ four mile Line & y^e^ seaven mile Line, at a place called Chougamiske, valled at	03–00–00
℔	his five & Twenty Acar Right of Comonage with his sixteen Acars (yet) to be Layd out on y^e^ Eastward side of y^e^ foure mile Line vallued at	06–00–00
	The Totall sum as money is	14–00–00

This being an Apprizall of what was made appeare to vs to be y^e^ Estate of y^e^ sd Thomas Suckling deceased

Taken by vs (to y^e^ best of o^r^ vnderstanding)

As wittnesse o^r^ handes (this 15^th^ day of Aprill in y^e^ yeare 1681)

Thomas Arnold

Dan: Abbott Clerke

This jnventory was presented to y^e^ Towne Covncell of prov-

idence (by Cap^{t} Arthur ffenner) for theire Approbation: and | was | accepted & approved of, by y^{e} sd Covncell.

Aprill y^{e} 27th: i681: As attests Dan: Abbott Cl

[22] By vertue of warning which proceeded from a warrant to y^{e} Serjant directed for y^{e} Towne Councill to meete upon y^{e} 24th day of January 1681. According to y^{e} warning, at time & place there mett together 8 of y^{e} Councill (viz) Capt: ffenner, m^{r} Joseph Jenks, m^{r} Richard Arnold Cap^{t}: Hopkins Nathanaell waterman, Thomas ffield, Edward Smith, & Thomas Olney jun^{r}: vnto whome was presented a request of Susanna Harris, & Howlong Harris desireing of y^{e} Councill to make probation of y^{e} deceased william Harris his will.

The said will & Jnventarey of y^{e} said Testators Estate hath benn this day preferred for probation

Warning being given by vertue of a warrant from y^{e} Majestrate for y^{e} Councill to meete upon y^{e} 27th of this instant Januarey 1681: about 8 of y^{e} Clock in y^{e} morning; According to y^{e} warning Eight of y^{e} Councill Came together at y^{e} time & place (viz) Cap^{t}: ffenner, m^{r} Joseph Jenks, m^{r} Rich: Arnold, Cap^{t}: Hopkins, Nathanaell Waterman, Thomas ffield, Edward Smith, & Thomas Olney jun^{r}:

Both y^{e} will of y^{e} deceased William Harris, & y^{e} Jnventarey of y^{e} Estate of y^{e} deceased william Harris hath this day in y^{e} Councill benn publickly Read.

Vpon lawfull warning at a meeting of y^{e} Towne Councill ffebruary y^{e} 6th 1681; the Councill being full.

Thomas Harris (sen^{r}:) & Thomas ffield came before y^{e} Councill this 6th of ffebruarey 1681, & upon theire Solem|ne| Engagement acknowledged to y^{e} Jnventarey of y^{e} Estate of William Harris deceased.

Howlong Harris came before y^e^ Councill this 6^th^ day of ffebruarey, 1681: & upon her Sollemne Engagement Testefied to y^e^ Jnventarey of the Estate of William Harris Deceased; Captaine ffenner & m^r^ Joseph Jinks are appoynted by y^e^ Councill to goe to Susanna Harris & take her Engagm^t^: to her husbands will, & to y^e^ Jnventary of his Estate, & to doe it betweene this day & y^e^ next sitting of y^e^ Councill: And y^t^ Thomas olney is ordred by y^e^ Council to goe with them & to Carrey y^e^ said will & Jnventarey to be Attested unto.

Whereas y^e^ Councill findeth it upon Record in y^e^ Councill Booke; that the Towne Councill at theire meeting wednesday y^e^ 2^nd^ day of March 1680 81 accepted of John whipple Junior to kepe a publick howse of [**23**] Entertainment, hee also accepting of y^e^ same; Also Engageing to doe y^e^ best he could to provide for strangers, both for people & horses; And for as much as hitherto he hath not given in bond as to enjoyne him further to legall orders; The Councill doe now advertise y^e^ said John Whipple to keepe legall orders at all times in his house untill they doe take bond of him & grant him further license; the which they doe order to be considered at theire ne Sitting if time will give way, if not, then with w^t^ speede afterward conveniently may be. The meeting is adjorned untill Munday this day fortnight, the which will be the 20^th^ of this jnstant.

The Councill is againe met y^e^ 20^th^ of ffebruarey 1681.

Jt being demanded of Andrew Harris whether he would accept of his Exsecutorshipp & Execute his ffathers Will, according as his ffather appoynted him in his will. The said Andrew his Answer is, that he will not medle at all with any of his ffathers Estate as Exsecutor.

Captaine ffenner, & m^r^ Joseph Jinks and Thomas Olney

jun^{r}: upon y^{e} 15th Jnstant went to Susanna Harris & tooke her Engagment upon her deceased husband William Harris his will, & also upon y^{e} Jnventarey of his Estate according to former order of y^{e} Councill.

The Councill hath this day approved y^{e} Will of y^{e} deceased William Harris the which bore date y^{e} 4th of December 1678. A Bond was this day drawne up for Susanna Harris & Howlong Harris to signe & seale for y^{e} Executing William Harris his will.

Captaine ffenner & Thomas ffield are ordred to goe to Susanna Harris her dwelling & there to take her & howlong Harris theire signation & seales to y^{e} abovesaid bonds & that to doe it within 10 dayes. Administration is this day Granted by the Councill to Susanna Harris & Howlong Harris to administer upon y^{e} deceased William Harris his Estate. A letter of Administrati|on| being drawne & by y^{e} Councill signed, & when y^{e} bond is signed & sealed, then to be delivered to them.

The Councill is adjorned untill tomorrow Morning y^{e} 21 instant.

The Councill is againe Come together ffebruarey y^{e} 21 : 1681.

Ordred that a note be sent to Samuell winsor to desire him to appeare before y^{e} Councill to querie with him as to matte|rs| concerning y^{e} age of his soninlaw Richard waterman, as also about y^{e} devision of y^{e} said Richard his land; A Coppy whereof is as followeth ffebruarey

[24] ffebruarey y^{e} 21 : 1681

Samuell Winsor, yo^{r} son in law Richard Waterman haveing made his addresse to the Councill as to y^{e} devision of those

landes which his Grandfather left devideable when y^e^ Donee came to y^e^ age of 21 years: And as wee are informed you declare him to be under y^t^ age, & therefore suspend devision. The Towne Councill doe therefore desire you Emediatly to appeare before them at y^e^ dwelling of Mary Prey, where they are Now met, y^t^ if you can make it appeare to be as you say y^t^ y^e^ Councill may therein be satisfied, otherwise for you to receive further information, y^t^ so a devision of y^e^ Lands may be propagated in its season. ffrom y^e^ Councill mett,

Joseph Jinks Asistant.

Samuell Winsor, upon y^e^ recept of y^e^ abovesaid Request hath appeared before y^e^ Councill.

Vpon debate with samuell Winsor about y^e^ age of his Son in law Richard waterman, the said Richard appears to be of y^e^ full age of 21 yeares in Januarey last.

The meeting of y^e^ Councill is adjorned untill y^e^ first munday in March Nex which will be y^e^ 6^th^ day of y^e^ month.

March y^e^ Sixt, 1681 : 82. The Councill is againe mett.

Whereas Andrew Harris preferred a bill to this Councill desireing a Grant of administration upon y^e^ Estate of his deceased Brother Tolleration Harris who died intested: And for as much as y^e^ said Andrew Harris appears not in persuance of his said Bill: The Councill doth appoynt Howlong Harris (y^e^ sister of y^e^ said Tolleration Harris) to take with her two honest neighbours and make an Jnventarey of y^e^ said Estate, & make Returne of y^e^ same with what Convenient Speede may be to y^e^ Councill.

The said Howlong Harris according to y^e^ aforsaid order hath taken and made an Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of her deceased Brother Tolleration Harris, & hath presented it to y^e^ Councill;

and in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill upon her Engagement hath attested thereunto.

Whereas y^e^ deceased Richard Waterman did in his lifetime by a deede of Gift under his hand and seale Give unto his two Grandchildren (to witt) Richard, & Resolved (the sons of his deceased son Resolved waterman) Eighty acrs of land lieing butting upon y^e^ broad Coave; As also a percell of meaddow lieing in Pautuxett Neck; the which his said Grandchildren was by his said Deede to be possessed with Each theire parts as they Came to be of y^e^ age of 21 yeares; And [**25**] And in case y^t^ any diference should arise about y^e^ devision thereof when any one of them came of age; Then y^t^ y^e^ Towne Councill should make a devision thereof, & appoynt Each one his part. And whereas one of y^e^ | said | Donees (to witt) Richard Waterman is now attained to y^e^ age of 21 years, and y^t^ his ffather in law (to witt) Samuell Winsor (in whose handes y^e^ said landes at presant is) and hee cannott agree to make a devision thereof: The Towne Councill doe therefore according to y^e^ Request, & appoyntment of y^e^ aforsaid Doner Richard Waterman order y^e^ said land & meaddow forthwith to be devided according as y^e^ said deede of Gift doth Expresse. And doe order & appoynt Captaine william Hopkins, John whipple Jun^r^: and Thomas Olney jun^r^: on theire behalfe to devide y^e^ said land & meaddow, & appoynt Each Donee his part thereof which it shall be, & to make returne thereof to y^e^ Councill at theire next sitting.

The Councill have this day received & accepted y^e^ bond signed & sealed by Susanna Harris & Howlong Harris Exsecutrixes to y^e^ deceased William Harris.

The Councill is adjorned untill y^e^ Second Mund[ ] in aprill next.

The Councill is againe mett y^e^ Second Munday in Aprill i682: it being y^e^ 10^th^ day of the month.

Captaine William Hopkins, John Whipple jun^r^: & Thomas Olney jun^r^: hath this day made Report to y^e^ Councill that according to theire order they have devided y^e^ Eighty acres of land which y^e^ deceased Richard waterman gave to his two Grand Sons, butting upon y^e^ broad Cove; The which they have devided from East to west; from a black oake tree marked standing upon y^e^ banke of y^e^ Salt water at y^e^ broad Cove, & upon a line to Runn westward to a black oake tree marked standing on y^e^ west part of y^e^ said land, And the North part of y^e^ said Eighty acres of land they have appoynted to be Richard waterman his part; And y^e^ south part of y^e^ said Eighty acrs of land they have appoynted to be Resolved waterman his part: The which devision & appoyntm^t^: was made y^e^ Eleventh day of March 1681: 82

The Councill accepteth & alloweth the said devision & appoyntment.

Sarah Smith, (widdow) hath this day preferred unto y^e^ Councill a written paper for y^e^ Councill to vew & approove for her deceased husbands will. And also a paper as an Jnventarey of his Estate. The Councill is Adjorned untill fryday the 21 of this Jnstant, about 9 of y^e^ Clock in y^e^ morning.

ffriday Aprill y^e^ 21: 1682: The Councill is againe mett.

whereas Tolleration Harris died some [**26**] some time since leaveing some small matter of Estate behind him undespossed of; And whereas Andrew Harris his sirviveing brother, & Howlong Harris his sirviveing sister doe both of them sue for Administration upon y^e^ said Estate. And whereas part of y^e^ Estate is in y^e^ hands of said Andrew Harris & yett unvalued,

only y^e^ perticulars mentioned; and also a part of y^e^ said Estate in y^e^ Custodye of y^e^ said Howlong Harris, which hath benn already apprised;

	lb	s
the which are 6 peuter platters, 2 Basons, 5 poringers, one fflaggon, & 2 Brasse Candlesticks, i quart pott, i wine quart pott i pint pott, i halfe pint pott, i Jill pott, i halfe Jill pott, 2 saucers.	04	04
Also 12 Diaper napkins, i diaper Table cloath, i paire of sheets, i shirt,	02	17

As also in y^e^ hands of Mary Burdin, y^e^ other sirviveing Sister of y^e^ Said Tolleration, 3 peuter poringers & 2 saucers not yet valued.

The Councill doe order & appoynt unto y^e^ said Howlong Harris Administration upon y^e^ aformentioned 6 peuter platters, 2 Basons, 5 porringers, one fflaggon, two brasse candle sticks, i quart pott, i wine quart pott, i pint pott, i halfe pint pott, i Jill pott, i halfe Jill pott, 2 saucers, 12 diapper napkins, i diapper Table cloath, i paire of sheets, & one shirt, The which shall be her part of y^e^ said Estate. Due debts proportionable by y^e^ said Howlong to be payd.

And whereas y^e^ said Andrew Harris appeareth not this day in persuance of his bill for Administration, the Councill doe order, y^t^ in case y^e^ said Andrew Harris will give in securitye for y^e^ discharging of debts proportionable to what part of y^e^ said deceased Tollerations Estate he hath tooke into his hands, that then Administration shall be granted unto y^e^ said Andrew of so much of y^e^ said Estate as he hath taken into his hands, the which shall be his part of y^e^ said Estate; The which Resolve shall be made by y^e^ said Andrew unto y^e^ Councill at theire next sitting; which in case y^e^ said Andrew omitt or Refuse, then for y^e^ Councill further to consider it.

Jt is ordred that whereas 3 peuter poringers, & 2 saucers are in y^e^ handes of Mary Burdin y^e^ said Tollerations sirviveing sister, the which were part of y^e^ said deceased Tolleration his Estate, y^e^ which shall be unto the said Mary Burdin.

Ordred that Howlong Harris her letter of Administration upon the Estate of her deceased brother Tolleration Harris be Coppied & kept upon Record, a Coppye thereof is as followeth, where [**27**] Whereas you Howlong Harris of Pautuxet in y^e^ Towneship of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England, haveing made suite unto y^e^ Towne Councill of this Towne of Providence for Administration upon y^e^ Estate of your deceased Brother Tolleration Harris; The Towne Councill doe hereby Grant unto you Howlong Harris Administration upon one part of y^e^ said deceased Tolleration Harris his Estate; That is to say, upon 6 peuter platters, 2 Basons, 5 poringers, i fflaggon, two brasse Candlesticks, one quart pott, one wine quart pott, i pint pott, i halfe pint pott, i Jill pott, i halfe Jill pott, Two saucers, 12 Diaper Napkins, i diaper Table Cloath: one payre of sheets & one shirt, The which all is valued by Jnventarey at 7 lb: & one shilling. Signed at our Councill meeting Aprill y^e^ 21: 1682: By y^e^ Towne Councill.

Arthur ffenner, Asistant,
Joseph Jinks, Asistant.
Richard Arnold Asistant.
Thomas Olney jun^r^:
Nathanaell Waterman
Thomas ffield.

The Councill is adjorned untill Wednesday next y^e^ 26^th^: of this instant about 8 of y^e^ Clock at John whipples Howse.

The Councill is againe Com together and settled y^e^ 26^th^: of Aprill 1682: by adjornm^t^: from y^e^ 21^st^ instant.

The Councill is adjorned for about 2 hours.

The Councill is againe in being

The Councill is adjorned unto y^e^ 22^nd^ of May next Ensueing about 9 of y^e^ Clock at John Whipple Jun^r^: his house.

May y^e^ 22^nd^: 1682: The Councill is againe mett by adjornment from Aprill y^e^ 26^th^: 1682:

Ordred y^t^ a mandamus be sent to Samuell Winsor to Cause him to appeare before y^e^ Councill to give in testemonye as to w^t^ he knowes about John Smiths Will.

A Coppye of y^e^ mandamus is as followeth.

Whereas you Samuell Winsor have some time informed y^e^ Towne Councill of this Towne of Providence, that upon y^e^ request of John Smith of this Towne (miller) who is now deceased, you drew up & wrott a wrighting, y^e^ which said wrighting being brought by Sarah Smith, y^e^ widow of the said deceased John Smith unto y^e^ Councill for approbation as her said deceased husband [**28**] husbands will & Testament; And whereas you have benn severall times desired to appeare before y^e^ Councill to give in your Testamoney as to y^e^ said wrighting, but you refuseing. These are therefore in his Majestyes name to require you Samuell winsor Emediatly to make your appearance before y^e^ Councill at y^e^ house of John whipple jun^r^: where they are now mett; to give in your testamonye of what you know as to y^e^ said wrighting, & hereof you are not to faile as you will answere the Contrarey at your perrill.

Given under our handes y^e^ 22^nd^: of May 1682: By us

Joseph Jinks Asistant

Richard Arnold Assistant.

ffor as much as Andrew Harris haveing formerly preferred a bill to y^e^ Councill to grant him Administration upon his deceased brother Tolleration Harris his Estate; and whereas y^e^ said Councill ordred y^t^ y^e^ said Andrew should have administration upon so much of y^e^ said Estate as he hath taken into his hands provided y^t^ he would give in bond to the Councill for y^e^ payment of Debts proportionable to what Estate he hath taken into his handes, the w^ch^ Resolve he was to have made at our last meeting; but he then not appeareing, neither this day appeareing to give in bond; The Councill doe declare y^e^ said Andrew Harris Administrator to his owne wrong as to so much of y^e^ said Estate as he hath taken into his handes.

The meeting is adjorned untill friday y^e^ 2^nd^ of June next.

ffriday June y^e^ 2^nd^ 1682 the Councill is againe in being.

Whereas the Councill did formerly appoynt Capt: Hopkins, John whipple jun^r^: & Thomas Olney jun^r^: to make a devision of y^e^ lands & meadow which y^e^ deceased Richard waterman by a deede of Gift gave unto his two Grand children (namely) Richard waterman & Resolved waterman, devideing Equally into two parts, & to appoynt Each one which shall be his part: The aforesaid persons so be trusted have this day made returne to y^e^ Councill that they upon Tuesday the 30^th^ of May last made a devision of the said meadow lieing in [**29**] in Pautuxett neck; part of y^e^ said Meadow lieing upon y^e^ North part of y^e^ Cove by y^e^ falls & y^e^ remainder lieing on y^e^ North, on y^e^ west, & on y^e^ South part of y^e^ Cove at y^e^ North End of y^e^ little Neck. And y^t^ all y^e^ Meadow lieing on y^e^ North part of y^e^ said Northward Cove, & on y^e^ Norwesterne & y^e^ westerne parts of y^e^ said Cove, the which Meadow reaching southward so farr as untill y^e^ upland butteth upon y^e^ Salt water & devideth y^e^ Said

percell of Meadow from y^e^ other, shall be unto Richard waterman; And y^e^ Meadow lieing upon y^e^ North part of y^e^ Cove by y^e^ falls, & the Meadow lieing on y^e^ South part of y^e^ other said Cove shall be to Resolved Waterman. The Councill doe accept, allow, and Confirme y^e^ said devision & appoyntment, according to y^e^ said returne.

The will of y^e^ deceased John Smith, miller, hath this day by y^e^ Councill benn allowed & approoved.

Bond hath by y^e^ Councill benn taken of Sarah Smith, & of John Smith her son, the Exsecutrix, & Exsecutor of y^e^ decease|d| John Smith (miller) for y^e^ true Executing & performing of his Said Will.

A letter of Administration hath this day benn granted forth unto Sarah Smith, & John Smith her son, y^e^ Exsecutrix and Exsecutor of y^e^ deceased John Smith (miller) by which they are inpowered to Administer upon y^e^ Estate. Coppye whereof is as followeth.

Whereas John Smith (miller) inhabetant of y^e^ Towne of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England (deceased) haveing by his last Will, as by Testamonye appears made y^e^ Twenty & second day of ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare one thousand Six hundred Eighty & one; Eighty two, made you Sarah Smith, Widdow of y^e^ said decease[ ] John Smith, his Exsecutrix, and you John Smith, Son unto y^e^ said deceased John Smith, his Exsecutor. These are therefore fully to impower you Sarah Smith, & you John Smith who are Exsecutrix, & Exsecutor to y^e^ said deceased John Smith to Administer upon y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said deceased John Smith, & duely and truely to Execute & performe y^e^ said will according to y^e^ true meaneing and intent thereof; Jn wit-

nesse whereof [**30**] whereof we y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence doe hereunto sett our hands & seals, June y^e^ second in y^e^ yeare one thousand Six hundred Eighty & two.

Richard Arnold Asist^st^:
Edward Smith
William Hopkins
Thomas Olney jun^r^:
Nathanaell Waterman
John Whipple jun^r^:
Joseph Jinks Asistant

The meeting is desolved.

At a meeting of y^e^ Councill June y^e^ 12^f^: 1682.

John whipple jun^r^: Towne Clarke, hath this day delivered into y^e^ Councills hands y^e^ Councill Booke, & with it severall papers, of which y^e^ Councill hath given him a recept as to y^e^ perticular papers. A Coppye whereof ffolloweth.

Jtem, Samuell winsors Request to y^e^ Towne Councill dated Aprill y^e^ 27: 1682.

Jt A paper signed & sealled by Arthur ffenner & Roger williams, & Thomas Arnold. it speakeing somthing of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased Resolved waterman.

Jt A Bond to y^e^ Towne Councill, signed Richard Smith, & sealed.

Jt 2 letters of water Clarks to y^e^ Councill.

Jt Abraham Hardins Bond to Execute y^e^ Clause in a letter of Administration to him granted.

Jt A presentation of John Waterman to y^e^ Councill.

Jt Woodens papers.

Jt Mary Preys licence bond for y^e^ yeare 1681

Jt Abigall Dexter her letter of Administration.

Jt The Jnventarey of Stephen Dexters Estate.

Jt Abigall Dexters bond to y^e^ Councill.

Jt The Councill Booke with a parchm^t^: Cover. wee Say received by us y^e^ Towne Councill, wittnesse our hands.

Arthur ffenner Asistant
Joseph Jinks Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant,
Thomas Olney jun^r^:
Nathanaell waterman.
willian Hopkins
Thomas ffield
John whiple jun^r^:

[31] The meeting is adjorned untill ffriday y^e^ 16^th^ of this instant about 9 of y^e^ Clock at y^e^ howse of John Whipple jun^r^: /

The Councill is againe come together by Adjornm^t^: June y^e^ 16^th^: 1682.

John whipple jun^r^: hath this day received a licence to keepe a publick house of Entertainment for y^e^ Ensueing yeare: And hath also given in bond for y^e^ orderly keeping y^e^ said house.

Mary Prey hath this day received a licence to keepe a publick house of Entertainm^t^: in y^e^ Towne for y^e^ Ensueing yeare; Edward Smith hath given in bond for Mary Prey for y^e^ orderly keeping of y^e^ said house.

Thomas Olney jun^r^: & John Whipple jun^r^: Entreth this theire protests against the granting a licence to Mary Prey; by reason it was not granted also unto her husband; but unto her only.

Whereas y^e^ Councill received 20^S^ of John whipple for his

licence, & 20^{s} of Mary Prey for her licence: And for as much as y^{e} Councill are oft upon publick service & thereby upon all accounts put upon it to Expend theire owne Mony;

They doe therefore order that the said 40^{s} shall be for y^{e} Councills use to des|s|pose of from time to time as they shall have occation. The said 40^{s} is by y^{e} Councill put into y^{e} handes of Thomas Olney jun^{r}: to be kept for theire use as they see cause at any time or times to despose of it.

The Councill haveing received information that there is come into our towne two Strangers, one Ephraim Prey and one Elizabeth Hoyden, purposing here sometime to make theire aboade, who both belong to Braintrey in y^{e} massachusetts Colloney, & for som misdemeanor, (as it is reported) have left theire being. And whereas y^{e} Towne hath Comitted unto y^{e} Councills Care & trust y^{e} looking after Such afairs; The Councill doe therefor order that y^{e} Cunstable be sent to bring y^{e} said Ephraim Prey & Elizabeth Hoyden before them to be Examined. The Cunstable haveing brought Elizabeth Hoyden before y^{e} Councill but y^{e} said Ephraim being not at presant at hand, the Councill doe order that both y^{e} Said Ephraim & y^{e} Said Elizabeth be both of them brought before the [**32**] the Councill tomorrow about 10 of y^{e} Clock

The Councill is adjorned untill tomorrow y^{e} 17th instant about 10 of y^{e} Clock.

The Councill is againe in being June y^{e} 17th: 1682.

Whereas Ephraim Prey of Braintrey in y^{e} Collonye of y^{e} Massachussetts, & Elizabeth Hoyden of y^{e} same Towne hath this day benn brought by y^{e} Cunstable before y^{e} Councill by vertue of a warrant from y^{e} majestratts, & have both of them benn Examined y^{e} reasons of theire Coming into our towne, y^{e}

Councill doe find y^t y^e said Ephraim, & y^e said Elizabeth Hoyden have transgressed y^e law of the Massachusetts by Comitting fornication Each with other & have with drawne themselves from y^e Hand of Justice.

The Councills detirmination as to y^e said two persons, namely, Ephraim Prey & Elizabeth Hoyden, is, That if John Hoyden y^e ffather of y^e said Elizabeth Hoyden, who is here presant, will Engage unto y^e Councill that he will remoove his said Daughter Elizabeth Hoyden out of y^e jurisdiction of our Towne by y^e fift day of y^e weeke next at Sun sett, the which will be y^e 22^nd of this instant: And y^t y^e said Ephraim Prey doe also asure y^e Councill that hee will remoove himselfe out of y^e jurisdiction of this Towne by y^e same time, the Councill doe allow them both so much liberty. But in Case they Engage not thereunto, then that y^e said Ephraim Prey & y^e said Elizabeth Hoyden, Shall Emediatly by y^e Councill be Conveid out of y^e said Towne unto y^e next Cunstable to be Conveid to y^e place of theire dwellings. And also if y^e said persons doe Engage & faile thereof, then after y^e said fift day of y^e weeke at sun sett y^e said Ephraim & Elizabeth shalbe by y^e Cunstable without delay Conveid as aforesaid. The said John Hoyden & y^e said Ephraim Prey doe both of them Engage to the Councill, that they will truely and punctually performe y^e same. The meeting is desolved. /

October y^e 10^th: 1682: by vertue of a warrant from y^e majestrats directed the Towne Councill is mett and in [**33**] in being.

Hannah Mathuson hath this day preferred the will & Testament of her deceased husband James Mathuson & y^e Jnventarey of his Estate for probation, The Councill have referred her buissinesse unto Tuesday next y^e 16^th instant.

Thomas Olney hath this day preferred y^e^ last will & Testament of his deceased father Thomas Olney, together with the Jnventarey of his Estate to y^e^ Councill for probation. The Councill have referred his buissinesse unto Tuesday y^e^ 17^th^ Jnstant

The Councill is adjorned unto Tuesday next y^e^ 17^th^: instant.

The Councill is againe mett Tusday y^e^ 17^th^: of October 1682.

The last will & Testament of James Mathuson bearing date y^e^ 24 of Agust, 1682: was by y^e^ Councill this day approoved, & the Jnventarey of his Estate allowed.

Bond was this day taken of Hanna Mathuson y^e^ Exsecutrix of y^e^ deceased James Mathuson for y^e^ performance of his aforsd will.

A letter of Administration was this day granted unto Hannah Mathuson y^e^ Exsecutrix of y^e^ deceased James Mathuson for y^e^ administring upon his Estate.

The last will & Testament of Thomas olney sen^r^: deceased, beareing date the twenty one day of March in y^e^ yeare 1679: 80. was by y^e^ Councill this day approoved, & y^e^ Jnventarey of his Estate allowed.

Bond was this day taken of Thomas Olney y^e^ son, & Exsecutor of y^e^ deceased Thomas Olney sen^r^: for y^e^ performance of his said fathers will.

A letter of Administration was this day granted unto Thomas Olney y^e^ son, & Exsecutor of y^e^ deceased Thomas Olney sen^r^: impowreing him to administer upon his said deceased ffathers Estate.

The meeting is Desolved.

[**34**] The inrolem^{t}: of y^{e} last will & testam^{t}: of william Harris: as followeth

Considering it my duty to God, & my debt I owe to my wife, as husband: And as a father to my Children, to sett my famely in order, for I must dye Ere long being now in my sixty & Eight yeare of my age, and how soone it may please God to End this my life I know not; And Considering, not only y^{e} mortallitye of all men, but also at this time y^{e} great sicknesse & mortallity y^{t} is among our neighbours (not far of) many being sick of y^{e} small Pox, & fevers, & many dieing thereby; And Considering my urgent ocations to goe there where so great mortallity is: and intending (if God please) to saile over y^{e} great & wide sea to England, & Considering y^{e} danger of y^{e} Sea by stormes, leaks, & Enimies, Each which may ocation death; Therefore for all y^{e} said ocations of death: in preparation thereto, resigne up myselfe to y^{e} will of God to doe with me as seemeeth good to him, I now being of reasonable sound mind, and whole memory make this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following.

i first I hereby make voyd & null all former wills & Testaments By word or wrighting that were made by me.

2 I make my wife Susanna Exsecutrix with my son Andrew Harris my Exsecutor, & Howlong Harris my daughter my Exsecutrix also, joyntly & Equally to Execute & performe this my last will & Testament after my decease, & y^{t} they may performe y^{e} same.

3^{ly} After my decease all my lands goods and chattells, & Cattle, debts, verdicts, & judgments & Executions shall vest & remaine in my said Exsecutrix, Exsecutor, & Exsecutrix to doe, & performe (therewith) as herein following to be Expressed to be & be bequeathed,

4 That they shall pay out of my goods or Cattle, all my debts, which are not many, nor much debt,

5 I give to Susanna my Wife the halfe part of all my landes goods & Cattle, dureing her life

6 I give to my son Andrew Harris (after my decease) the third part of my farme inclosed, & adjoyneing, y^e^ whole about seven hundred & fifty acres, & a third part of y^e^ Meadowes within, or adjoyneing to y^e^ said farme (y^t^ are mine owne).

7 Another third part of my said farme I give to my wife aforsd, & a like proportion of Meadow, (to say) a third part of y^e^ Meadow within or joyneing to my said farme (as aforsd)

8 I give to my daughter Howlong Harris one third part of my said farme (after my decease) with a third part of y^e^ meadow therein or joyneing thereto as aforsd, (y^t^ are mine).

9 After y^e^ death of my said wife, her said third part shall desend & come to my said son Andrew Harris.

10 All y^e^ rest of my lands, Except fifty acres, shall be devided into foure Equall parts; one part thereof shall be my son Andrews, Another part my daughter Howlongs, And one of the other two parts, shall remaine in y^e^ Custody of my son Andrew, intrust, acording to such privat instructions as I shall give him, & y^e^ other fourth part shall remaine [**35**] in y^e^ Custody of my daughter Howlong, in trust, according to such privat instructions as I shall give her, or y^e^ said two parts intrust to them both joyntly.

11 Alwayes provided y^t^ duering y^e^ life of my wife shee shall have so much of y^e^ said foure parts as will make up her third part of my forsd farme y^e^ halfe part of all my whole lands.

12 I give to my daughter Mary Burden (once Mary Harris)

fifty acres of land, which said land of mine I obtained of Thomas Burden. (husband y^t^ was, to y^e^ sd Mary) for Sixty acres y^e^ sd Thomas tooke up of y^e^ Towne of Providence in my stead, for sixty acres I layd downe to y^e^ said Towne as by record in y^e^ sd Towne booke was was Entred on record.

13 I so comitt y^e^ forsd lands (to say) two parts of foure parts of my whole lands Excepting my forsaid farme of seven hundred & fifty acres, & fifty acres aforsd which I give to my daughter Mary Burden, I say I so comitt y^e^ said two parts of foure parts, of y^t^ land after my decease, & after y^e^ death of my wife, to my son Andrew y^e^ one part, & to my daughter Howlong y^e^ other part, Confideing in theire faithfullnesse intrust according to such privat instructions as I shall give them; That no person, nor persons, nor any Court nor Courts shall compell them to, or by any demaund of y^e^ said land, nor to shew any the said my privat instructions there about. nor make answere therto (as to say) for whome, or for what use y^e^ said land is, but only is at theire wills, & discressions not withstanding any demand thereof, or trespase, or force against y^e^ same, may & shall sue, Defend and recover as if it were theire owne, without any trust comitted.

14 Also my will is as followeth, & upon y^e^ Considerations following (viz^t^:) That y^e^ sd lands all & singular that I will afer my decease to my Son Andrew shal be his for his life time, & after his death a third part there of shall be for dowry to his wife (if a wife then he have): And after y^e^ death of my said son Andrew, the said land I will & bequeath to him (to say) if he have a wife at his death; then two parts of y^e^ whole three parts shall after y^e^ death of my said son desend to all his male heirs lawfully borne to him, according to y^e^ Custome of

Gavellkind land Equally to be devided to them, And after y^e^ death of my said sons widdow that third part y^t^ was her Dowre shall also desend to, and be Equally devided among my said sons male heirs (to say) my Grand Sons; which my said Grand Sons shall have & injoy by this my will & bequest all & singular y^e^ said lands Equally devided dureing theire lives, & after theire deaths shall desend to my Grand Sons, theire sons (to say theire male heirs, Equally to be devided to my said Great Grand Sons, lawfully borne according to y^e^ law of England, to my said gran[ ]sons; alwayes provided Dowre for theire widdowes as aforesaid, dureing y^e^ lives of y^e^ said widdowes y^t^ then shall be, to be Equally devided among y^e^ said male heirs after y^e^ deaths of y^e^ said widdowes. But in case my Said Son Andrew should have no male heirs aliue at his death, nor begotten by him in his life & borne after his death, or if borne to him yet dye without any Male heire, then y^e^ forsaid lan[ ] all & singular, I hereby give & will to my said son Andrew, shall desend to my said son his female heirs lawfully borne to him, Equally to be devided by this my last will for theire life time to be injoyed by them. neverthelesse, provided, that if any such femal[ ] [**36**] female heire marrey a man & have children by him, by y^e^ law of y^e^ Curtesye of England if y^e^ said female heire dye before her husband, such said husband shall injoy y^e^ said female heirs land dureing his life. And after y^e^ death of such sd female heire, y^t^ hath, lawfull heire or heirs (to say) my great Grand daughter, or great Grand daughters, Grand daughters of my said son Andrew shall have by this my last will & bequest & injoy his, her & theire just & Equall parts of land according to y^e^ Custom of Gavelkind land, (as in y^e^ law Expressed) & as by y^e^

Kings patent to this his Colloney (saith according to y^e^ Custome of his manner of East Greenewitch in Kent) which by Lambath preambulations &C, are intended Custome of Gavelkind (that is to say) if male heirs, then y^e^ land to be Equally devided among them, Jf no male heires then to be Equaly devided among y^e^ female heirs. acording to which said Custome I have intailed my said land to my said fo|u|rth Genneration; upon these following considerations.

ffirst That if it so come to passe y^t^ my said son Andrew, or his son, or sons, daughter, or daughters, should be in time to Come of any such opinion as by reason thereof, Either Envie raised, or lawes Enacted, or prosecuted to, or for; or supposed premineere, or for any supposed crime, that in all such case, or cases no person may so falcely accuse in any hope to obtaine to any other person y^e^ said land by any such meanes but y^t^ my now said land might then notwith standing desend & come to my said Grand children, that according to y^e^ Custome of Gavellkind land shall then inhiritt to y^e^ fourth genneration, & my prayer now to God is y^t^ y^e^ great Grand children then may be so ffatherly wise as to intayle y^e^ said lands to theire fourth Genneration also.

A second reason of my such said intayle, is, least any of my sd Grand sons, or Grand daughters should proove prodegalls & spend & sell my said land, & so defeat my great Grand sons, or great Grand daughters, y^t^ might inhiritt, I therefore Jntayle my sd land to them my said great Grand children males, or females as pleaseth God then shall be to inhirit.

The third reason; That my said land may be sure to my sd posteritye against all fraudelent grants under any pretences what so Ever, or fraudelent wills, or devises, or concealments,

of true wills, & unlawfull, & unwise will made Either by partyes, Towne Councills, by feigned wittnesses as wee frequently see, or any other unlawfull meanes for prevention of which I Jntayle my said land to my said Great Grand children as aforsaid.

A fourth reason is, in & upon Consideration of my great dilligence laid out to obtaine, Cost to keepe by law, & continuall charge to defend my true title to y^e^ said land against so many Evell Adversaryes, & so long implackable, above thirty yeares, & have benn twice in England & now goeing the third time to petition to y^e^ Kings Majesty [**37**] for a due course of law, which though by his Majesty already granted, yet by some obstructed at this presant, & therefore am againe forced to pray of his majesty his comaund to compell Execution of y^e^ verdicts & judgments given, as to our true title for y^e^ quieting of us in our said land; all which great & long troubles & cost I would not have lost, but my posteritye reape y^e^ fruit of my labour to my fourth generation: I as farr as I cann Endeavour it. More reasons I have to shew in another place, but these aforsaid here only at presant recited.

Also my Will is y^t^ y^e^ forsd fifty acres of land y^t^ I give to my daughter Mary Burden shee shall have it out of my landes to be taken up by her within y^e^ landes of y^e^ Towne of providence, that are not of y^e^ landes called Pautuxett, which said fifty acres is due to me by Change of sixty acres to Thomas Burden for y^e^ said fifty acres due to y^e^ said Thomas from y^e^ said Towne, now due to me. I give to my said daughter dureing her life, & after her death shall desend to her sons, male heirs borne of her y^e^ said mary, after her death to injoy, & for want of male heirs shall desend & come to her daughters female heirs borne of her, according to y^e^ Custome of Gavel-

kind land; & by this my will & bequest shall desend & come (y^e^ sd lands) from my said Grand sons to theire sons lawfully borne to them, (to say) my said great Grand sons, & for lack of sons, male heirs, y^e^ said lands shall descend & come by this my last will & bequest to y^e^ daughters, or female heirs lawfully borne to my said Grand sons, or Grand daughters, After y^e^ death of my Grand sons, or Grand daughters, whome I pray may be so wise as to intayle y^e^ sd land according to y^e^ Custome of Gavelkind land to theire fourth Genneration.

Also y^e^ forsd third part of my farme: whereon I now dwell, with y^e^ third part of Meadow theirein or joyneing thereto (that is mine) & y^e^ forth part of y^e^ rest of my land, Excepting y^e^ third part which is my wives dowre in part of my farme; & after her death to descend to my son Andrew as aforesaid, & as aforsd I have given to my son Andrew, & my daughter Mary according to y^e^ Custons of Gavelkind land, and & intailed y^e^ said land to y^e^ forth Genneration, so likewise I give to my daughter Howlong Harris, that said third par of my said farme, & that | foresaid | third part of Meadow, and y^t^ other fourth part of y^e^ rest of my land for her lifetime, & after her death all y^e^ said land, by this my will & bequest shall descend & come to y^e^ male Heirs of my said daughter, lawfully borne to her, (to say) my sd Grand sons, after y^e^ death of my sd daughter; if her husband (supposed) be then dead, or after his death, shall descend to y^e^ sons of my said daughter for theire lifetime, & after the death of my said Grand sons the said land shall all descend & com to y^e^ sons of my said Grand sons (to say) to my said great grand sons, according to y^e^ custome of Gavelkind land, Equaly to be devided among y^e^ Male heirs. And for want of male heirs, after y^e^ death of my said daughter

y^e^ said land shall descend to her daughters lawfully borne to her, & after their deaths shall descend & come to theire Sons lawfully borne to them, but if no male heirs then after y^e^ death of my said Grand daughters Said lands shall descend to my great Grand daughters Equaly to be devided among them; & I pray God my [**38**] my great Grand sons, or great Grand daughters which it pleaseth God to be may likewise intaile y^e^ said lands according to y^e^ said Customs of Gavelkind land to theire fourth generation; for the forsd reasons I have as aforsd intayled it to my great Grand children.

And for y^e^ other two parts of my sd lands (Excepting my farme which more perticularly I have, & doe & shall be called Mourning) as a monument of the death of my deare son Tolleration,

And Excepting y^t^ fifty acres I give to my daughter mary; The other two parts of foure, one of y^e^ sd parts in trust I comit to my son Andrew, & y^e^ other part in trust to my daughter Howlong Harris, or jointly both according to privat instructions to them upon my most serious Consideration and fatherly care, & indulgency to my posteritye according to my forsd Confidence in them.

As also further indulging my son Andrew considering his fraylty; That I further will as followeth. That if it so Come to passe that my said son should dye before me (though I pray God he may live much longer) yet never y^e^ lesse the children of my said son shall have all y^t^ land I have willed to him as Certainely through Gods Assistance as if he had lived to posesse them therewith. And also if he should dye fefore me, yet my said sons widdow, his now wife Mary shall have three hundred acres of land for her dowre, dureing her life, & a reasonable part of y^e^ same sutable of Meadow.

The aforsaid is my last will & Testament, neverthelesse my said trustees therein Specified, & two not herein Specified, but only in my said instructions to them, shall not be called in question by any person or Court, for I wholy Confide in theire faithfullnesse & discression as to all my lands that is not herein perticularly given, & sd to whome given, is left to theire trust according to my instructions which they neither neede to shew, nor shall shew, nor by any person nor Cort be Compelled to shew, nor be Countable to any but at theire owne free will, if they please. And when my sd truste|e|s for y^e^ time being, to whome I have Comitted y^t^ my sd lands in trust, shall have performed y^e^ said trust, they may then, if they please shew theire instructions, which said performance shall be Counted as part of my last will, & may then be added hereto as a Coddecell. But whether they performe or not performe my said trust, yet neither my said trustees, nor theire heirs nor assignes, Exsecutors nor Administrators shall not by any person nor Court be Called in in question there about but if my said trustees performe y^e^ said trust according to [**39**] to my secrett instructions to them, then my said land intrust now shall be held then & descend according to y^e^ Custome of Gavellkind land, and shall be intayled to y^e^ fourth genneration from me as y^e^ rest of my lands are, to be in the same manner & forme by y^e^ foresd words.

witness my hand & seale 4 of Desem. 1678. in y^e^ presence of us wittnes y^e^ day & yeare aforsd

Thomas Harris senior
Nathaniell Waterman

William Harris
my Seale

This 4 day of December 1678:

the abovesd William Harris came before me & owned y^e^ abovesd to be his last will & Testament

John Whipple Asistant.

The wittnesses to this Said Will came before me this 4 day of Decemb^r^: 1678: & owned theire handes, as Attests,

John whipple Asistant,

The indorsment on y^e^ back side of the last will & Testament of william Harris is as followeth,

My last will & testament left with my wife & my daughter Howlong Harris.

The within written will & testament of william Harris is Entred upon Record in y^e^ 73: 74 75: & 76 pages of y^e^ Councill Booke N^o^: 2 belonging to y^e^ Councill of y^e^ Towne of Newport on Rhode Jsland

℔ Weston Clarke Towne Clarke

Susanna Harris of Pautuxett, the fifteenth day of februarey in y^e^ yeare one thousand Six hundred Eighty & one did upon her sollemne Engagement testefye, that the will on y^e^ other part of of this paper written is y^e^ last will & testament of the deceased William Harris her husband that was, which was left with her & her daughter Howlong, the which he made in his perfect memory.

Attested y^e^ day & yeare aforesaid
upon Engagement before us
Arthur ffenner Asistant
Joseph Jenckes Asistant.

Howlong Harris of Pautuxett came before y^e^ Councill the 20^th^ day of ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare 1681 & did there upon her sollemne Engagment testefye, That y^e^ will on y^e^ other par of this paper written is y^e^ last will & testament of her deceased

ffather William Harris which was left with her Mother and herselfe; The which was made in his perfect memory.

Thomas Harris sen^{r}: & Nathanaell Waterman, the 20th day of ffebruarey in the yeare 1681 came before y^{e} Councill & did there upon theire solemne Engagements owne theire hands as wittnesses to the will on the other side of this paper, or: on the other part of this paper written [**40**] & that y^{e} testator was at y^{e} signing and sealing thereof of sound mind & of perfect memory.

The will & testament in y^{e} other part of this paper written, is this 20th day of ffebruarey in y^{e} yeare 1681 approoved by y^{e} Towne Councill of Providence

Witnesse our handes.

Joseph Jenckes Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
Nathaniell Waterman
Edward Smith
Thomas Olney jun^{r}:

The inroulement of y^{e} last will and testament of James Mathuson as followeth

I James Mathuson of y^{e} Towne of Providence being weake of body yet haveing my perfect Memory, Doe make my last will & testament as followeth.

ffirst I Comitt my body to y^{e} dust & my Spiritt to God that gave it.

Secondly I give to my son James six score acres of land with all y^{e} Comonage betweene y^{e} seven mile line & y^{e} foure.

Thirdly I give to my son Thomas Twenty one acrs of land which I bought of Daniell Browne, with Twenty acres which I had of y^{e} Towne.

ffourthly, I give to all my sons Equall alike all my share of land beyond y^e^ seven mile line.

ffiftly, I Give to my son Zachariah, & y^e^ Child unborne, if it be a son; my house & land, & three five acre Lotts lieing up Naspatuckett River with the land at y^e^ Round Cove, But if it be a daughter, then it all remaines to my son Zachariah.

Lastly I make my beloved wife Hannah Sole Exsecutrix of all my mooveabls of household goodes, & Cattells what so Ever to despose to my Daughters as shee shall see cause. This being my last will & teastement, Jn wittnesse hereof I sett to my hand & seale this twenty foure day of August 1682:

Signed & sealed in y^e^ presence of William Hopkins Edward London

James Mathuson his X marke

William Hopkins & Edward London did the 17^th^ day of October in y^e^ yeare i682 in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill upon theire Engagement acknowledg theire hands as wittnesses to y^e^ abovesaid will, & that y^e^ Testator at y^e^ makeing thereof was in his perfect memorey.

Hannah Mathuson, widdow, & Exsecutrix to y^e^ Testator, doth also before y^e^ Councill upon her Engagement, declare y^e^ abovesaid will, to be y^e^ last will of y^e^ Testator, y^t^ shee knowes of, & y^t^ he was in his perfect memorey at y^e^ makeing thereof.

Taken before me
Arthur ffenner Asistant.

The [**41**] The Endorsment on y^e^ back side of y^e^ paper whereon y^e^ last will & testament of James mathuson, is, is as followeth,

The will on y^e^ other side of this paper written, is at our Councill meeting October y^e^ 17^th^: 1682: approoved by us y^e^

Towne Councill of Providence, in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England,
wittnesse our hands

Arthur ffenner Assistant
Joseph Jencks Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
John Whipple jun^r^:
Nathaniell waterman
Thomas ffield
William Hopkins:

The Enroulement of the last will & Testament of John Smith of the Towne of Providence (miller) as followeth.

I being very weake in body, yet in perfect memory Expecting suddainly to depart this life, I leave this instead of a more large and formall will.

Jmprimis. I bequeath to Sarah my wife halfe the mill with y^e^ halfe of y^e^ land neere, viz) ten acres upon y^e^ hill, & y^e^ valley whereon y^e^ house standeth to say y^e^ one halfe of it, And y^e^ halfe of all y^e^ land & meadow at y^e^ west River, reaching as farr as the lower End of william Haukins is meadow, & halfe my meadow at y^e^ Great meadow, & halfe my part of y^e^ Saw mill, & y^e^ meadow at wenScott the halfe of it; & six acrs of land in y^e^ neck y^e^ halfe of it: with the halfe of y^e^ house & goods & Catle, The halfe of all which is abovementioned I bequeath to my wife dureing her life, & y^e^ other halfe to my son John Smith, So: that at my wifs decease decease y^e^ med at wenscot to be resined up to be | devided | Equally among his brothers & himsefe, to say into seven parts.

Also I make my wife Exsecutrix & my son John Exsecutor,

to receive & pay Such debts as are found due. And after y^e^ decease of my wife, then y^t^ halfe which his mother possest to fall to him my said son John.

And to my Daughter Sarrah I give fourty acrs of land; And my Daughter Alice forty Acrs which is to be laid out a this side y^e^ seven mile line. And to my daughter mary tenn shillings. I give lik|e|w|i|se to my son John sixty acrs of land at wanscot, with this provisor, y^t^ he take it so as not to wrong y^e^ rest of his brethren in spoyling the rest; And y^e^ remainder of my land there to be Equally devided among his six brethren. Likewise a hundred & forty Acrs at wenscot meadow to be Equally devided among my seven sons, Likewise for two Rights & a halfe of Comon to be Equally desposed of among my seaven sons when it coms to be drawne for by lott or otherwise. Alwayes provided that Sarah & Alice have theirs first.

This being my last will & Testament, in which I have given to my son John as is above Expres|t| upon Conditions y^t^ he fayle not to be helpe full to his mother to bring up the rest of his brothers, & sisters, some of them being very young.

John Smith

I Samuell winsor testefie that the above writen was written by me & y^e^ abovesaid John Smith of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland and Providence plantations did owne the above written to be his mind, & did also sett to his hand in my sight, and to y^e^ best of my remembrance it was the 22 or 23 day of ffebruar[ ] [**42**] ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare 1681: or 82: it being at y^e^ time when y^e^ Trustees for y^e^ Towne of Providence & Edward Jnman was mett at John whipples to Jshue the diference about the land in Controvercy. May y^e^ 22: 1682. Taken | upon Engagement | in Councill,

Before us
Joseph Jencks Asistant.
Richard Arnold Asistant.

Whereas Samuell winsor in his aforsd testamony mentions [when the Trustees for y^e^ Towne of Providence & Edward Jnman were met at John Whipples to Jshue y^e^ diference about y^e^ land in Controvercye:] The said meeting was at John whiple jun^r^: his house upon y^e^ 22^nd^: of ffebruarey 1681: 82: And that upon our owne knowledg we know it, wee ourselves being there presant, wittnes our hands June y^e^ 2^nd^: 1682:

Joseph Jencks Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant

John Whipple jun^r^: Aged 42 yeares or there abouts, testefieth; That he being with John Smith (miller) in his sicknesse upon the 24 day of ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare 1681: 82. That y^e^ said John Smith of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England did shew unto him y^e^ above said writeing, & did declare unto him y^t^ it was his owne will, And did desire him y^e^ said John whipple to take notice that he did owne it to be his will; And y^t^ he had written his name with his owne hand there unto, so that it might be prooved. Taken in Councill upon Engagement may y^e^ 22^nd^: 1682: before us

Joseph Jencks Asistant.
Richard Arnold Asistant.

The Endorsment on y^e^ back side of the paper whereon John Smith (miller) his will is written, is as followeth.

Sarah Smith, & John Smith, Exsecutrix, & Exsecutor of y^e^ will written on the other side of this paper; Jn the presence of y^e^ Councill upon theire Engagem^t^: testifye, that what is

written on the other side, is the last will of y^e^ deceased John Smith.

June y^e^ 2nd: 1682:

Before me Richard Arnold Asistant.

The writeing on y^e^ other side of this paper is by us the Towne Councill, of Providence Allowed & Approoved the last will of John Smith (miller) deceased wittnes our handes y^e^ second day of June in the yeare one thousand, six hundred Eighty & two.

Joseph Jencks Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
Thomas Olney jun^r^:
John whipple jun:
Nathaniell Waterman
William Hopkins
Edward Smith.

[**43**] The Enroulement of the last will & testament of Thomas Olney Senior, as followeth.

Be it knowne unto all people by these presents That I Thomas Olney Senior of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & providence plantations in New England, being weake of Body, but yet of sound & perfect mememory, Doe make, ordaine & appoynt this my last will and Testament.

Jtem. I doe give & bequeath unto my Son Epenetus Olney my sixty acrs of land which was to me from y^e^ towne of Providence upon my owne Right. I doe also give unto my son Epenetus Olney a percell of low swampie land lieing on y^e^ north side of Wanasquatucket River; begining at y^e^ Swampe formerly Called Wallers Swampe, & so reaching Westward to a deepe place in y^e^ said River called y^e^ deepe hole, together

with all y^e^ peeces of Marsh, or meadow to y^e^ said land adjoyneing. As also unto said son Epenetus Olney I doe give my fifteene acrs of land on the south side of the said Wanasquatuckett River, together with all my peeces, or percells of meadow or marsh on y^e^ same side of y^e^ River. The which said fifteene acres of land, is three five acre shares; one in my owne Right, one in the Right of William ffield, & one in y^e^ Right of Thomas James. Also unto my said son Epenetus Olney, I doe give & bequeath all the Right of land & Comoning which I bought of John Joanes. All which aformentioned lands & meadowes & Every part & percell thereof shall be to my said son Epenetus Olney his owne true proper Right & lawfull inhiritance for Ever, for him & his heirs to use, possesse, Rent out, bargaine, sell, give away or any otherwise despose as he at any time shall see cause.

I doe also give unto my son Epenetus Olney one of my Cowes, & my Smiths vice, & my Bible.

Jtem I Doe give & bequeath unto my son in law John whipple to posesse dureing his Naturall life, my Right in the house lott, or home share of land whereon he now dwelleth, the which Right is two acrs of the East End thereof, As also my Right of five acres of land which I bought of m^r^ Roger williams, which formerly belonged to John Clawson; The which said two acres, & five acrs of land shall after the decease of my said son in law John whipple, Revert and belong unto John whipple the son of my said son in law & my Daughter Mary: But in Case my said Cousin John Whipple doe dye before he come to y^e^ age of twenty one years, or without Jshue, Then shall y^e^ said land belong to y^e^ Eldest sirviveing Daughter borne of y^e^ body of my aforsaid Daughter Mary formerly the wife of my said son in law John whipple.

Jtem. I Doe Give, & bequeath unto my son Thomas Olney my dwelling house, with all other my out houseing what Ever, together with my house lot or home share of land where on it standeth with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, together with all my other lands of what sort so Ever, both upland, meadowes, & marshes, or lands of any other sort not befor desposed of unto my son Epenetus Olney, & unto my son in law [**44**] John Whipple; I say, all sorts of landes & meadow, salt, or fresh lieing upon the aforsaid Wanasquatuckett River, or upon Moshausuck River, or lieing & being in any other place whithin y^e^ libertyes of the Towne of Providence aforsaid. As also all landes, Rights, claimes, Jntrests, Titles or Heriditaments in any other parts, or place to me belonging together with all the aformentioned landes, & houseing & meadowes & Every part, & percell thereof to be unto my aforsaid son Thomas Olney To have & to hold both hinselfe, his Heirs, Exsecutors, Administrators & Assignes as his, or Either of theire true, proper & lawfull Right and Jnhiritance for Ever. And that it shall be lawfull for my said son Thomas Olney to posesse, improove, sett to lease, bargaine, Sell, Give away, or otherwise despose of, from time to time, or at any time all the said lands, houseing & meadowes & Every part & percell thereof as he shall see Cause.

I doe also Give unto my son Thomas Olney all my Bookes & writeings of what sort so Ever, saveing only one bible before desposed of unto my son Epenetus:

Jtem I doe Give & bequeath unto my son in law Joseph Williams all my part in the yoake of oxen which is now betweene us.

Jtem All my Cattell which are not before desposed of,

together with all my mooveable goods after y^e^ Cost of my buriall is discharged, shall Equally be devided into three parts. One part whereof I doe give unto my son Thomas Olney. Another part thereof I doe give unto my son Epenetus Olney, And the other part I doe give unto my Daughter Liddea Williams. And I Doe hereby make, Ordaine & appoynt my son Thomas Olney to be my true & lawfull Exsecutor who shall have all my debts, & see to pay all my debts, And to see my Body Descently Buried, And to Execute & performe this my will according to y^e^ true meaneing & intent thereof. And I doe desire, & appoynt my loveing friends & neighbours Thomas Harris senior, & Joseph Juinkes Senior the overseers of this my last Will. And that I doe hereby, all & any former will, or wills at any time by me made the same make Null and Voyd & this only to stand in force. Jn wittnesse of the premises I doe hereunto sett my hand & seale the twenty one day of March in the yeare one Thousand Six hundred Seventy nine.

Thomas Olney, senior

The words, & his heirs, & y^e^ word, possesse, & y^e^ word despose, interlined betweene the thirteenth & y^e^ fourteenth lines was done before these presents were signed & sealed, so was also the word, posesse, betweene the two & thirty, & three & thirtyeth lines And so was the word (see) betweene forty three, & forty foure lines.

[**45**] The Endosment upon the last Will & Teastament of Thomas Olney Senior, Deceased, upon the back Side of y^e^

parchment whereon y^e^ said will is writen it is Endorsed, as followeth:

Thomas Olney upon his Engagement before y^e^ Councill at theire Councill meeting October y^e^ 17^th^: in y^e^ yeare 1682 did declare y^e^ will on y^e^ other side of this parchment written to be y^e^ last will of his deceased father Thomas Olney, & y^t^ it was made in his sound & perfect memory.

Thomas ffield & Nathaniell waterman appeared before y^e^ Councill y^e^ 17^th^: day of October in y^e^ yeare 1682: & in theire presence did upon theire Solemne Engagments testefie as wittneses unto y^e^ will written on y^e^ other side of this parchment, And y^t^ the Testator at y^e^ signeing & sealing thereof was in his perfect memory, And that the Testator signed & sealed the sam|e| his last will & Testament.

Taken before me
Arthur ffenner Asistant.

This will is at our Councill meeting y^e^ 17^th^ day of October in y^e^ yeare 1682 Approoved by us the Towne Councill of Providence in the Collonie of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in new England, wittnes our handes.

Arthur ffenner Asistant
Joseph Jencks Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
Nathaniell waterman
Thomas ffield
william Hopkins
John whipple jun^r^:

Here followeth the Enroulement of a letter of Administration Given by y^e^ Councill to Thomas Olney for y^e^ Administring upon his ffather deceased his Estate.

Whereas you Thomas Olney of this Towne of Providence in y^e^ Collonie of Rhode Jsland & Providen|ce| plantations in new England was by y^e^ last will & Testament of your deceased ffather Thomas Olney bearing date the Twenty one day of March in the yeare one thousand six hundred seaventy nine: 8o: made & appoynted his Exsecutor; And you haveing brought in the said will of your said deceased ffather, & taken and made an Jnventarey of his Estate; The which said will hath this day benn by y^e^ Towne Councill of y^e^ aforsaid Towne of Providence approoved, and the said Jnventarey allowed; These are therefore fully to impower you the said Thomas Olney; And you are hereby fully, & Absolutly impowred to Enter & fully to Administer upon y^e^ Estate of your said deceased ffather Thomas Olney, & in all poynts to fullfill, Execute, & performe his aforsaid last Will & Testament according to y^e^ true meaning & intent thereof. Given by us the Towne Councill of y^e^ aforesaid Towne of Providence at our Councill meeting the seaventeenth day of october in the yeare one thousand Six hundred Eighty & two; wittnesse our handes.

Arthur ffenner, Asistant; Joseph Jenckes, Asistant, Richard Arnold Asistant, Nathaniell waterman Thomas ffield, William Hopkins; John whipple jun^r^:

Here followeth the Enroulement of the letter of Administration Granted to Susanna Harris & to Howlong Harris the Exsecutrixes of the deceased william Harris.

Whereas you Susanna Harris, & you Howlong Harris Exsecutrixes to y^e^ deceased william Harris formerly of Pautuxett in the Towneshipp of Providence in new England by his last will & Testament bearing date the fourth day of

December in y^e^ yeare 1678 Exsecutrixes thereby made & appoynted; And you as you are Exsecutrixes haveing made an Jnventarey [**46**] Jnventarey of y^e^ said testators Estate, & haveing Exhibited y^e^ said will to y^e^ Councill of Providence desireing probation thereof; & we y^e^ said Towne Councill haveing made Examination into matters in order thereunto, And also haveing this 20^th^ day of ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare 1681 declared our aprobation upon y^e^ sd will, Doe now by these presents unto you Susanna Harris & howlong Harris Grant Administration upon y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said deceased william Harris in full power to administer to Execute & performe y^e^ will according as y^e^ law Requires & as in y^e^ said will is Exprest wittnesse our handes this 20^th^ day of ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare 1681: And that the place of Pautuxett abovesd | & the towne of Providence abovesaid | is in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations

Joseph Jenckes Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
Nathaniell waterman
Edward Smith
Thomas Olney jun^r^:

Here followeth the Enroulment of a letter of Administration Granted unto Hannah Mathuson.

Whereas you Hannah Mathuson of the towne of Providence in y^e^ Collonie of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England (widdow) was by y^e^ last will & testament of your deceased husband James Mathuson beareing date y^e^ twenty & fourth day of Agust 1682 made & appoynted his Exsecutrix, and you haveing brought in y^e^ sd will of your said deceased

husband, & taken & made an Jnventarey of his Estate; The which hath benn by y^e^ Councill approoved, & y^e^ inventarey allowed. You the said Hannah Mathuson are therefore hereby fully impowred to Administer upon the Estate of your said deceased Husband James Mathuson, duely & truely to Execute, and performe y^e^ same according to y^e^ true meaneing & intent thereof; Given by us the Towne Councill of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations &^cr^: at our Councill Meeting y^e^ 17^th^: of October in y^e^ yeare 1682: wittnesse our handes.

Arthur ffenner Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
Joseph Jenckes Asistant
William Hopkins
Thomas ffield
Nathaniell waterman
John whipple jun^r^:
Thomas Olney

Here followeth y^e^ Enroulement of the Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of the deceased James Mathuson.

An Jnventarey taken of y^e^ Estate of James mathuson Deceased, of y^e^ Towne of Providence in y^e^ Collonye of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations, according to monie price, as followeth,

	lb	s	d
Jmpri Jt Jn one Roome houseald goods valued at	02	10	00
Jn another Roome houseald goods valued at	0j	05	00
Jn another roome household goods valued at	0i	05	00
Jndian, & English Corne valued at	05	00	00
20 loade of provender for Cattle valued at	10	00	00

[**47**] Jt The Cattle & swine valued at 65–10–00

The totall is 85–10–00

according to y^e^ best of our understanding

This is a faire aprisall of what was brought to our | vew |

The marke of

John X Angell

Zachariah ffield

Hanna Mathuson widdow, & Exsecutrix to the deceased James Mathuson upon her Engag|e|ment before y^e^ Councill did declare the abovesaid Jnventarey to Containe all y^e^ Estate of her deceased husband James Mathuson, y^t^ shee knoweth of, & if at any time any more Come to her knowledg it shall be added to y^e^ sd Jnventarey, october y^e^ 17^th^: 1682

Taken by me

Arthur ffenner

Asistant

John Angell & Zachariah ffield upon theire Engagements before y^e^ Councill did attest to y^e^ trueth of y^e^ abovesaid Jnventarey, the 17^th^: of October in y^e^ yeare 1682:

Taken before me Arthur ffenner

Asistant,

At our Councill meeting October y^e^ 17^th^ 1682 this Jnventarey is allowed by us y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence wittnes our handes Arthur ffenner Assistant, Joseph Jenckes Asist, Richard Arnold Assistant, william Hopkins, Nathaniell Waterman, Thomas ffield.

Here followeth the inroulement of y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of John Smith Miller Deceased.

An Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of John Smith (miller of this Towne of Providence deceased.

		lb s d
Item	A small three yeare old steere	02–00–00
Jt	A two yeare old heifer	01–00–00
Jt	A three yeare old heifer	02–00–00
Jt	A yeare old Bull very Small of grouth	00–15–00
Jt	A small two yeare old Bull	01–01–00
Jt	An old maare & a two yeare old horse	02–10–00
Jt	A yeare old horse	00–15–00
Jt	A maare & a two yeare old Maare	02–00–00
Jt	Sixteene swine great & small together	10–00–00
		22–09–00

		lb s d
Jt	To Corne in y^e^ mill	01–03–00
Jt	To a hide in y^e^ mill	00–06–00
Jt	To flax in y^e^ mill & dwelling house	00–10–00
Jt	To Corne in y^e^ Cribb	00–10–00
Jt	To a barrill & halfe full of pork in y^e^ celler	01–00–00
Jt	To a barrill with some beife & veneson in it in y^e^ celler	00–06–00
Jt	To three old Caske in y^e^ Celler	00–03–00
Jt	Two small tubbs with a litle salt in one of then in y^e^ celler	00–02–00
Jt	To an old Caske with a little Sope in it in y^e^ Celler	00–02–00
Jt	To two Tubbs, & tobacco in y^e^ Celler	00–05–06
		04–07–06

		lb s d
Jt	To a falling axe, & three old ones & a peece of one	00–08–00
Jt	To two broad hoes	00–04–00
Jt	To an old shovell	00–00–06
Jt	To an old sieth & peice of one with rings & nebs	00–02–00
Jt	To sawne pine boardes	01–10–00
Jt	To y^e^ Cart, & plough, & all tackling thereunto, belonging, with y^e^ horse tackling also	02–00–00
[48] Jt	To a paire of Chizells, & a Gouge	00–02–00
Jt	Three old Augers & an old hand saw	00–03–00
		04–09–09

Vp in y^e^ Chamber of y^e^ dwelling house		lb s d
Jt	To Rye	00–06–00
Jt	To two bed studs with y^e^ beds & beding to them belonging	02–00–00
Jt	To two pieces of meat, & a little salt	00–06–00
		02–12–00

Jn y^e^ lower Roome of y^e^ dwelling house,		lb s d
Jt	To one Bedstud, with y^e^ bedd & beding thereunto	03–00–00
Jt	To a Brass kettle	02–10–00
Jt	To a small Copper Kettle	00–05–00
Jt	To an old broken Copper Kettle	00–01–00
Jt	To a chest with y^e^ Booke of Martirs in it	00–15–00
Jt	To a small peece of home made Cloath	01–10–00
Jt	To a paire of Boytle Rings & three wedges	00–02–03
Jt	To a fryeing pan	00–03–00
Jt	To two Gunns	01–01–00

Jt	To a small box	00–01–00
Jt	To a Chamber pott	00–02–00
Jt	To two Small old pewter platters	00–02–00
Jt	To two Basons & thre porengers	00–04–06
Jt	To two quart Glasses	00–00–09
Jt	To three Jron Potts	00–12–00
Jt	To a Tramill, & fire shovell & tongs	00–09–00
Jt	Two spining wheeles, & old Cardes	00–07–00
Jt	To an old Bible Some lost & some | of it | torne	00–00–09
Jt	To foure old Chaires	00–01–06
Jt	To severall wooden dishes	00–02–00
Jt	To a wooden Bottle	00–01–00
Jt	To some old trenchers	00–00–06
Jt	To a paile, & a Cann	00–02–00
Jt	To foure old Spoones	00–01–00
Jt	To a spitt, & a small Grater,	00–01–03
Jt	To about two pound of tallow Candles	00–oi–00
Jt	To an old Bridle	00–00–06
Jt	To lumber of very little worth if any	00–01–06
		ii–18–06

		lb s d
Jt	The Corne mill with y^e^ house over it, & all such other things as doe thereunto belong or appertaine	40–00–00
Jt	The seventh part of y^e^ Saw mill adjoyneing to y^e^ Corne mill, with the old Millstone y^t^ lieth by	03–10–00
		43–10–00

Debts due	lb	s	d
Jt By william Jngrum of swansey	00	15	00
As to what other debts due or owing yett not fully knowne The sum totall, Errors Excepted in Casting is	90	01	09

A true & faire prisall of what was made appeare unto us to be y^e^ Estate of John Smith (miller) deceased, taken by us upon y^e^ Eight day of Aprill one thousand six hundred & Eighty twoo; as wittnes our hands

John whipple jun^r^:
William Hopkins

John whipple jun^r^: & Cap^t^: will: Hopkins Came before us upon the Second day of june 1682 & did attest to the abovesd Jnventarey upon Engagement in Councill

Joseph Jenckes Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant

Sarah Smith the wife of y^e^ said John Smith (deceased) & his son John Smith, one Exsecutrix, & y^e^ other Exsecutor, came before us in Councill y^e^ day before said & upon theire Engagements did testefie y^t^ y^e^ abovesaid Jnventarey was y^e^ full of y^e^ sd John Smith, (deceased) his Estate, & if more cometh to light they will bring it forth. [ ]aken by us, Joseph Jenkes, Asistant,

Richard Arnold Asistant.

[**49**] Here followeth an Enrolement of y^e^ | Jnventarey of the | Estate of william Harris of Pautuxett in y^e^ towneshipp of Providence (deceased).

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of William Harris of Pautuxett in y^e^ towneshipp of Providence (deceased)

Taken & Made Januarey y^e^ 13^th^: y^e^ 16^th^: & 18^th^. in the yeare 1681.

Jmprimis.	Jn the duelling Cellar.	lb	s	d
Jt	A leather purse & a quilted Capp	00	01	08
Jt	i old Cloake, thread bare & Rotten	00	01	00
Jt	i old paire of linnen stockens	00	01	00
Jt	3 shirts	00	09	00
Jt	i shirt & one paire of drawers both very thinn old & broaken	00	01	06
Jt	i payre of Bootes	00	06	00
Jt	i ffeather Bedd, & Bolster	04	00	00
Jt	i Greene Rugg	00	15	00
Jt	2 Blanketts	00	06	00
Jt	3 Curtaines, Old & Moath Eaten	00	06	00
Jt	i settle Bedd studd	00	03	00
Jt	i small feather bedd for a Cabbin	00	12	00
Jt	i small Rugg, & a peece of a blankett belonging to y^e^ Cabbin bedd	00	03	00
Jt	i ffeather bedd & | a | bolster, old & much worne	01	05	00
Jt	i Blackish Rugg & 2 old Blanketts	00	13	00
Jt	2 old Moath Eaten Curtains	00	04	00
Jt	2 old flock beds & an old bolster all very much decayed	00	06	00
Jt	i old Rotten Rugg, & 2 blanketts old & Rotten	00	02	00
Jt	3 ffeather Pillowes	00	12	00
Jt	8 sheets, 5 of them at 4 shillings Each Sheete	01	00	00
Jt	the other three sheets at two shillings each of them	00	06	00

Jt	3 Pillow Cases	00–06–00
Jt	i small table cloath	00–01–06
Jt	6 Napkins, old & worne	00–02–00
Jt	i Chest with a lock upon it	00–10–00
Jt	A Tinn Case to Carrey papers in	00–02–00
Jt	A leather Case to Carrey papers in	00–01–06
Jt	i Box	00–01–06
Jt	i little Cubbard with a lock upon it	00–02–06
Jt	A little old sea Chest	00–01–00
Jt	2 Brasse Kettles	00–15–00
Jt	i old Brasse Kettle	00–03–00
Jt	i Brasse Candlestick	00–02–06
Jt	i Copper Candlestick	00–01–06
Jt	A Copper porenger	00–01–00
Jt	A limbath & y^{e} worme belonging to it	02–00–00
Jt	i Jron pott & pott hookes	00–05–06
Jt	i little Jron pott	00–02–00
Jt	halfe a side of Leather	00–06–00
Jt	i Jron Kettle	00–05–00
Jt	A Tramell	00–01–06
	Errors Excepted	13–14–02

		lb s d
Jtem	i paire of pott hookes	00–00–08
Jt	i fryeing pann	00–01–06
Jt	i paire of Tongs & fire pann	00–02–00
Jt	i paire of Bellowes	00–01–06
Jt	i Curbine, Belt & hookes to it	00–13–00
Jt	3 peuter platters	00–06–00
Jt	2 brimed Basons	00–05–00

Jt	2 old platters	00–02–00
Jt	2 Basons without brims	00–03–00
Jt	3 pottengers	00–02–00
Jt	2 very old pottengers	00–00–08
Jt	i pewter pottle pott	00–03–00
Jt	i wine quart pott	00–01–00
Jt	i Tanker quart pott	00–01–06
Jt	i Tanker pint pot without a lidd	00–00–09
Jt	i old wine pint pot	00–01–00
		lb s d
[**50**] Jt	i wine halfe pint pot	00–00–09
Jt	i Gill pot, & a halfe Gill pot, y^e^ Gill pot no lidd	00–01–00
Jt	i old quart pot & 2 old botles all for old pewter	00–01–06
Jt	i small pewter dish, one small plate, & a saucer	00–01–06
Jt	i pewter siringe	00–05–06
Jt	3 Alkemie spoones	00–00–06
Jt	i Tinn Sauce pann, & one brasse Spoone	00–00–03
Jt	i pewter Chamber pot	00–01–06
Jt	6 Glasse bottles (viz) a 2 quart bottle & 3 quart bottles, one pint botle, & a halfe pint botle	00–03–00
Jt	i paire of smale brasse Scoales	00–01–06
Jt	i paire of Cardes	00–01–06
Jt	i wheele to spinn Woll	00–02–06
Jt	i wheele to spinn linnen	00–01–06
Jt	i paire of Cardes for Cotten	00–01–06
Jt	Cotten yarne	00–02–06
Jt	Cotten wooll	00–03–00
Jt	1 Earthen Pann	00–00–03
Jt	6 Galley potts	00–01–06
Jt	i Earthen pipkin	00–00–01

Jt	4 wooden platters, 2 ladles, & 5 dishes	00–01–06
Jt	2 wooden Bottles	00–02–00
Jt	2 wooden Bowles	00–01–06
Jt	i Tubb	00–02–06
Jt	i New Kenmill	00–01–06
Jt	6 Trenchers	00–00–04
Jt	2 Sivs	00–00–04
Jt	1 old Kenmill	00–00–09
Jt	2 payles & one Jron Bayle	00–03–00
Jt	1 payle	00–01–00
Jt	2 firkins, &, i old Barrill	00–02–00
	Errors Excepted	04–02–02

		lb s d
Jt	2 Chaires	00–01–00
Jt	3 Jron hinges, & 2 hookes for a dore	00–02–00
Jt	Hoggs fatt	00–04–00
Jt	i payre of Stilliards & a poyse	00–08–00
Jt	2 Cheese vaults, & one Cann	00–02–00
Books Jt	i Dixonarey	00–06–00
Jt	The London Despencettorey	00–08–00
Jt	The Chururgions mate	00–10–00
Jt	Norwoods Tryangles	00–05–00
Jt	i Bible	00–02–06
Jt	Contemplations, Morall, & devine	00–02–06
Jt	a great Bible at Mary Burdins house	00–05–00
Shootooles Jt	i payre of pinchers, a payre of nippers, one old knife, one Jron foote	00–02–06
Jt	Lead	00–00–08
Jt	About 1000 of Board nayles	00–10–00

Jt	2 Cow bells	00–02–02
Jt	i old Tinn Candle pott to Carey a light in	00–00–04
Jt	i Spade	00–03–00
Jt	a Clevice, & a Clevice pinn	00–02–00
Jt	i peece of steele	00–02–00
Jt	i Smale Augur	00–00–06
Jt	Jn y^{e} out Celler, i Portmantium	00–05–00
Jt	Jn y^{e} Portmanteam, 3 Cases of leather	00–02–06
Jt	2 ℔ of brasse Cumpasses	00–02–00
Jt	2 sights for sirveiors worke belonging to an Jndext, a brasse table, a brasse pen & 2 other brasse instruments	00–06–00

		lb s d
[51] Jt	i Scalle	00–01–00
Jt	i Pistoll	00–04–00
Jt	2 shovells	00–00–08
Jt	2 bitts of leather	00–00–04
Jt	i firkin	00–01–00
Jt	Butter	00–03–00
Jt	i Earthen Pott	00–00–06
Jt	Butter	00–04–08
Jt	a halfe Barrill, & one Ancre	00–02–00
Jt	a Runlett	00–00–08
Jt	A Tubb	00–03–00
Jt	Salt porke	01–15–00
Jt	a tubb	00–01–00
Jt	A peck measure	00–00–08
Jt	Salt	00–00–06
Jt	i old towell, & a peece of Cloath for a towel	00–01–00
Jt	A Tinn pudding pann	00–00–06

	Jn y^e^ out Cellar westward from y^e^ dwelling Cellar,	
Jt	i old Rugg	00–03–00
Jt	A Tinn Tunnill	00–00–04
	Errors Excepted	07–06–08
		lb s d
Jt	2 barrills of winter Sidar, with y^e^ barrills	00–16–00
Jt	2 barrills of summer sidar with y^e^ barrills	00–12–00
Jt	3 Empty Caske	00–05–00
	Jn y^e^ new house,	
Jt	2 old Hoggsheads	00–02–00
Jt	i old Barrill	00–00–06
Jt	a preasseing tubb	00–01–00
Jt	6 bushells of Jndian Corne	00–12–00
Jt	Meale	00–04–00
Jt	i barrill of Porke	01–15–00
Jt	A warming pann	00–03–00
Jt	A butter tubb	00–02–00
Jt	Butter	00–08–00
Jt	i old Caske	00–01–06
Jt	A sadle & sturrupps	01–00–00
Jt	A flagg Collor for a horse, traces, swingletree & chaine	00–04–00
Jt	A haire Roape	00–01–00
Jt	A hand Saw	00–04–00
Jt	2 old broad hoes, & one Narrow hoe	00–03–00
Jt	Jn y^e^ Corne Cribb; Corne in y^e^ Ears	00–08–00
Jt	Severall Stacks of hay Standing by the Meadow Side	05–00–00

Jt	Jn y^e^ orchard, i Plough, an old sharr, & small Coulter	00–05–00
Cattle	A Gray maare, & a Coult running in pautuxett woodes	02–10–00
Jt	3 Calves of about 3 quarters of a yeare old, 2 of them Heifers, & one of them a steere	01–16–00
Jt	2 Steeres 2 yeare old & vantage Each	04–12–00
Jt	A Cupple of 2 yeare old & vantage Cattle (viz) a steere & a heifer	02–00–00
Jt	i young Cow	01–13–00
Jt	i old Cow	02–00–00
Jt	2 Steeres Each yeare & vantage old	02–04–00
Jt	i young Cow	01–18–00

[**52**] At Andrew Harris his house, & in his Custody

		lb s d
Jt	i Grinding stone	00–12–00
Jt	i ℔ ot Stilliards & a poyse	01–00–00
Jt	a peece of seale leather	00–05–00
Jt	A Bay maare with a stripp of white in her face	02–00–00
Jt	an old Axe	00–01–00
Jtem	At william vinsents house, one horse Collor	00–02–00
Jtem	Jn y^e^ out Cellar 40^lb^ of Cheese	00–10–00
	Errors Excepted	36–10–00

Jtem 3 Bookes in howlong Harris her hands prised at Thomas Olney jun^r^: his house

Jt	(viz) Cookes Comentarey upon littlton	01–00–00
Jt	The Compleat Clarke	00–08–00
Jt	The Touchstone of wills	00–02–00

Jtem At Nathanaell watermans, Jn y^e^ out house, in y^e^ roome where y^e^ Chimney is.

Jt	i Trunke covered with seales skinn & a lock upon it	00–10–00
Jt	Goods in y^e^ Trunke, 6 broad brimed platters	02–06–00
Jt	4 pottengers & 2 saucers	00–05–02
Jt	i brasse Candle stick	00–02–06
Jt	i pewter pottle pott	00–03–00
Jt	5 pewter Spoones	00–00–08
Jt	Brasse Curtaine Rings	00–01–06
Jt	i white Earthen Chamber pot & a Crusable	00–00–06
Jt	i square Glasse bottle	00–00–06
Jt	i downe pillow	00–06–00
Jt	2 holland pillow Cases	00–09–00
Jt	i old Table Cloath & a Towell	00–02–06
Jt	3 sheets made of sheeteing Cloath	01–10–00
Jt	A vallian	00–04–00
Jt	Board Nailes about 200	00–01–08
Jt	3 bookes, i intituled naturs Explecation another y^e^ treatise of faith, another treating of y^e^ Efect of warr	00–01–06
Jtem	Taken out of a chest of Howlong Harrises & prized & then put into y^e^ trunke covered with seales skinn.	
Jt	4 yardes of broad diaper	00–14–00
Jt	of Narrow Diaper 12 yardes	01–07–00
Jt	Buckerrum, on yard & 3 quarters	00–02–04
Jt	A peece of Bees wax	00–01–00
Jtem	i Chest Coulered black	00–08–00
Jt	Jn y^e^ black Chest, i skinn of parchment	00–01–00
Jt	A sirveiours writeing table	00–01–00
Jt	A quire & a halfe of paper	00–00–06

Jt	i paper booke	00–01–00
Jt	5 Bookes, one intituled y^e^ Gentleman jocky, another y^e^ Gospell preacher, another New Englands Memoriall, another y^e^ Method of Phissick, another a short Jntroduction of y^e^ Grammer: all	00–06–00
	Errors Excepted	08–16–04
Jt	A brase index	00–02–06
Jt	A small old box	00–00–06
Jt	Several refuse paper bookes not worth valluing	00–00–00
Jtem Jt	A long hand Gunn with a fire lock	01–10–00
Jt	a great brasse Kettle	02–10–00
[53] Jtem	At Thomas ffields house, in y^e^ Hall	lb s d
Jt	i spitt Jron	00–03–00
Jt	A pewter bed pann	00–04–00
Jt	A Copps Ring	00–01–00
Jtem	Jn y^e^ Hall Chamber, i Pistoll & a paire of holsters	00–12–00
Jt	A paire of bullett moulds	00–01–00
Jt	A peece of lead	00–00–04
Jt	2 turning chizells, a Gouge, a screw, & a hooke for a leath	00–05–00
Jt	3 pouder hornes & a little powder in them	00–01–06
Jt	A little lead pott, & a bitt of lead	00–00–06
Jt	A ℔ of snuffers, i Jron bolt, & a staple, & A Taylers ℔ of | old | shears	00–02–00
Jt	i ℔ of old sturrup Jrons, & a small percell of Bitts of old Jron	00–01–00

Jt	3 Glasse potts	00–00–03
Jt	A Small percell of Cotten wooll	00–01–00
Jt	2 suitts of Armor & head peeces & the box it is in	02–00–00
Jt	A Cooppers markeing Jron	00–01–06
Jtem,	Jn y^e^ out house, a Box & 2 suites of Armor, & 2 head peeces	02–10–00
Jt	A sett of hoopes for Cart wheeles	00–08–00
Jt	2 washers for an Axeltree	00–01–00
Jt	2 Axell pinns	00–03–00
Jt	i Jron bolt, & a Plough drayle	00–01–00
Jt	3 Jron Boxes for Cart wheeles	00–05–00
Jt	A paire of sheares to Cutt Jron	00–02–00
Jt	peeces of old Jron	00–01–00
Jt	i old broken chest	00–01–06
Jt	i dry hide	00–05–00
Jtem	Jacob Clarke y^e^ Aprentice boy his time	10–00–00
		21–14–07

(Errors Excepted

Jt One quarter part of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased widdow Parnill Roberts, belonging to william Harris, & one quarter part of y^e^ Estate of Parnill Roberts in y^e^ Right of Anne Harris, belonging to william Harris, in y^e^ hands & custodye of James Clarke of Newport, which cannott be Come at to be now vallued;

Jtem M^r^ ffrancis Brinley informes that there be 2 bookes belonging to y^e^ Estate of the deceased william Harris, in his Custodye, the titles wee know not, neither knew wee y^t^ they

were y^e^ Estate of y^e^ Testator, by reason y^e^ never was in our handes, nor had knowledg thereof but as M^r^ Brinley informes, therefore not knoweing what y^e^ be, Cannot vallue them, the one of them we suppose to be | intituled | Lambaths preambulations, The other we have no knowledg of y^e^ Title

lb s d

Jtem one fire lock Muskett in y^e^ handes of Andrew Harris, belonging to william Harris deceased his Estate, As also severall bookes belonging to y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said william Harris now in y^e^ handes of y^e^ said Andrew Harris, all which hee keepeth from our vew, & suffereth not an Jnventarey to be taken thereof.

Jtem Severall bookes belonging to y^e^ Estate of the deceased William Harris, in y^e^ handes of John whipple jun^r^: All which he keepeth from our vew, & suffereth not an Jnventarey to be taken thereof.

[**54**] Jtem Severall bookes Certaine (the titles to us unknowne) in y^e^ handes of John Pocock of Newport, all which belong|ing| to the Estate of y^e^ deceased william Harris, & are by y^e^ said John Pocock detained from us, not suffering an Jnventarey to be taken thereof.

Debts

Jtem of Clabord nayles lent to Cap^t^: ffenner 1500, to be payd in nayles againe,

Jt Andrew Edmunds Debt^r^: to 1000, of board | nailes | } 00–10–00

Jt Tho: ffield Debt^r^ to 2 ^lb^: ⅓ of Cotton wooll 00–02–09

Jt Samuell Sabin, | of Rehoboth | debt^r^ to 21 ^lb^: of Cotton wooll } 00–18–00

y^e^ account given for it is, y^t^ it was burnt in y^e^ warrs

Jt John Potter debt[r] to 9[s] in money 00–09–00

Jt The Heirs of Stephen paine sen[r]: of Rehoboth debt[r]: to 30[s] in Countrey pay, which in Money maketh 01–00–00

Jt Joseph Jeinks debt[r]: to 16[s] in Country pay, which maketh 10[s]: 4[d] in money 00–10–04

Errors Excep ted 03–10–01

Jtem Jn y[e] handes of Robert Hazzard of Portsmouth which were lent unto him & not yet returned, severall sirveiors instruments, (viz) A plaine table, y[e] stafe, y[e] Cumpasse, & y[e] Chaine; As also a small portmantian, they not being in our hand, or vew Cannott make price of

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Debts due to y[e] Estate

Jtem The Colloney Debt[r]:

Jt To 20[lb] of Countrey pay which payd a debt for y[e] Colloney in England which maketh 13[lb]; 6[s]: 8[d]: money 13–06–08

Jt John Towers of Hingham Debt[r]: to 18[lb] in money 18–00–00

Jt The Estate of Thomas Roberts deceased Debt[r] to 16[s] in money payd for fraughtage of his goods to Road Jsland 00–16–00

Errors Excepted 47–06–08

What y[e] Estate is indebted we are not able to give an account untill Reconed with y[e] Creaditors, Some other Estate is in Creaditors hands which was delivered upon y[e] account of dischargeing debt which they tooke an account of, the which we Cannott justly recount untill Recond.

Thus have we made a True & perfect Jnventarey of y^e^ Testators Estate as we are Exsecutrixes, performing of our Trust, wittnes our handes Januarey y^e^ twenty & one in y^e^ yeare 1681

Susanna Harris
Howlong Harris

[**55**] The afore specified Jnventarey was by us Thomas Harris sen^r^: & Thomas ffield together with y^e^ aforsd Exsecutrixes, made, taken, & the perticulars of y^e^ Estate therein Specified valued & aprised, y^e^ yeare & dayes in y^e^ begining of the first page thereof Mentioned, wittnes our hands y^e^ 23 day of Januarey in y^e^ yeare 1681.

Thomas Harris sen^r^,
Thomas ffield.

Susanna Harris did y^e^ 15^th^ of ffeburarey in the yeare 1681, testefye to this Jnventarey Before us, Arthur ffenner Assistant
Joseph Jencks Asistant

Howlong Harris the 6 day of feburarey in y^e^ yeare 1681 before y^e^ Councill upon her solemne Engagement to this Jnventarey testefieth

Thomas Harris sen^r^: & Thomas ffield, before the Councill | februarey y^e^ 6^th^: 1681 | upon theire solemne Engagm^t^: acknowledged this Jnventarey

The totall of y^e^ moveables which are prised amounts to 94–03–11
The debts amounts to 50–16–09
The Sum totall of Mooveables & debts is 145–00–08

Errors Excepted

There was also prised at Nathanaell watermans Dwelling house in y^e^ Garrett an old feather bed & bolster which mised Entring before | & also a box rule | the | which | sum must be added to y^e^ aforsaid sum

The Bed & bolster	01–05–00
The Rule	00–01–06
	01–06–06

Susanna Harris, & Howlong Harris did on y^e^ 15^th^ day of ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare i681 upon theire solemne Engagement testefye that in y^e^ afore written Jnventarey is Contained all y^e^ Estate of Goods & debts both Mooveable & unmooveable of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ Deceased William Harris So farr as they know & that if at any time any more by any meanes Come to theire knowledg they will bring it forth to be Jnventared,

Arthur ffenner Asistant
Joseph Jencks Asistant

Bookes prized y^e^ 14^th^: of July 1682: the which were in John whipple jun^r^: his handes when y^e^ other Goods were aprized.

Jtem	y^e^ Statute booke by poulton	01–15–00
Jt	Declerations & pleadings	00–03–00
Jt	The Exsecutors office	00–02–00
Jt	The Exposition of termes of law	00–02–00
Jt	The lay mans laywer	00–02–00
Jt	The law Concerning juryers	00–01–06
Jt	Justice restored	00–01–06
Jt	Dallons Countrey justice	00–05–00
	Aprised y^e^ day & yeare abouesd, by us,	02–12–00

Thomas Harris sen^r^: Thomas ffield.

[56] The Enrolement of the Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of Thomas Olney sen^r^: Deceased, as followeth,

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of Thomas Olney sen^r^: of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Road Jsland & Providence plantations, Deceased,

Taken & Made y^e^ 9^th^ day of October in the yeare 1682.

Jmprimis, Jn y^e^ Parlor	lb	s	d
Jt weareing apparrill, & 2 hatts 3 ℔ of Stockins & i ℔ of shooes	03	17	00
Jt 4 bedd blanketts	02	00	00
Jt 3 small bedd blanketts	00	12	00
Jt i brancht Coverlidd	01	10	00
Jt 2 fringed Coverlidds	02	10	00
Jt 2 old Ruggs	00	10	00
Jt i feather bedd of Jnglish ticken	03	00	00
Jt i feather bed	01	10	00
Jt i flock bedd	00	12	00
Jt 3 feather pillowes	00	09	00
Jt i feather bolster	00	09	00
Jt i feather bolster	00	15	00
Jt 2 old feather bolsters	01	00	00
Jt i Teaster bedstud	00	12	00
Jt i sett of Old Curtains & vallians	00	15	00
Jt linnen Capps, handkircheirfs & bands	00	05	00
Jt i shirt	00	03	00
Jt 10 Table napkins	00	06	00
Jt 2 small Table Cloathes	00	05	00
Jt 2 pillow Cases	00	05	00
Jt 3 Coarse towells	00	01	00
Jt 3 Coarse Sheets	00	15	00
Jt i Sheete	00	07	00

Jt	2 brushes	00–00–04
Jt	i Trunke with a lock upon it	00–02–06
Jt	i Brisse Kittle	00–18–00
Jt	i Brasse Kittle patcht	00–04–00
Jt	i Brasse Kittle	00–04–00
Jt	i little Jron Kittle	00–02–06
Jt	i Jron pott	00–06–00
Jt	2 ℔ of pott hookes	00–02–00
Jt	Grid Jron	00–01–00
Jt	i hand Cleaver	00–01–00
Jt	i fryeing pann	00–02–00
Jt	i spitt	00–00–08
Jt	i ℔ of Tongs	00–01–00
Jt	i ℔ of And Jrons	00–06–00
Jt	i Trammill, & saw plate turned for a Tramill	00–02–00
Jt	i old dripping pann	00–00–06
Jt	i ℔ of old Bellowes	00–00–06
		25–01–00

		lb s d
Jt	i Paile & i Tray	00–01–00
Jt	2 old pewter Chamber potts	00–02–00
Jt	i brasse skillett & a Chafeing dish	00–04–00
Jt	old Jron morter & pestle	00–01–00
Jt	i qu^{rt}, Glasse bottle, a halfe pint Glasse bottle & a Cann	00–01–00
Jt	i stone Jugg	00–01–06
Jt	i old Case & 3 Square bottles	00–01–06
Jt	Shoomakers tooles, & a hammer,	00–04–00

Jt	i Table Napkin	00–00–06
Jt	2 boxes	00–03–00
[57]		lb s d
Jt	2 old joynt Chaires, & a joynt stoole	00–03–06
Jt	i smale Table	00–04–00
Jt	i Great Chaire	00–01–00
Jt	i fourme	00–00–06
Jtem	Jn y^{e} hall chamber	
Jt	3 Brasse Candlesticks, one brass Skimmer, & one small brasse Skillett without a frame	00–05–00
Jt	Peuter potts, platters, spoones & Cupps, & a bedd pann, all old	01–00–00
Jt	i dosen of Trenchers	00–00–06
Jt	i Chest	00–01–00
Jt	3 ℔ of sheets	01–10–00
Jt	i ℔ of sheets	01–00–00
Jt	3 Coarse old sheets	00–10–00
Jt	3 pillow Cases	00–09–00
Jt	i shirt	00–04–00
Jt	i ℔ of drawers, a trusse, & one towell	00–03–00
Jt	i Chest with a lock	00–03–00
Jt	i old hoggshead, & one old Barrill	00–01–06
Jtem	Jn y^{e} old bed Roome in y^{e} dwelling house	
Jt	2 yards & 3 quarters of Carsey	00–13–00
Jt	10 yardes & a halfe of blanketing	01–05–00
Jt	4 yardes of woolen homeSpun Cloath	00–07–00
Jt	2 yardes & halfe of home made Cloath	00–04–02
		09–04–02

		lb s d
Jt	Almost 2 yardes of white full'd Cloath	00–04–00
Jt	i bed blankett	00–10–00
Jt	i old blankett	00–02–00
Jt	i dublett	00–04–00
Jt	i Chest	00–03–00
Jtem	in y^{e} shopp i Smiths vice	00–10–00
Jt	2 Curriors shaves	00–05–00
Jt	a sett of hoops for Cart wheeles	00–08–00
Jt	Shoomakers lasts	00–03–00
Jt	hempe & y^{e} box it is in	00–02–00
Jtem	Jn y^{e} orchard i old Tubb & a barrill	00–02–06
Jtem	Jn y^{e} Cellar, 2 tubbs	00–04–00
Jtem	Jn y^{e} Parlor 3 Cart boxes, i lince pinn & a washer	00–01–00
Jt	Lead	00–02–00
Jt	hempe teare	00–05–00
Jt	Dry hides in all y^{e} places where they lye, at Tho: Olney jun^{rs}: house in y^{e} towne, & what Tho: Olney tooke to tann, & what be Else where in out housen formerly belonging to Tho: Olney deceased,	25–00–00
Jtem	Att y^{e} Kittchen, one Bible	00–04–00
Jtem	3 old peeces of Bjbles in y^{e} Parlor	00–02–00
Jtem	Att Tho: Olneys house, 3 Bookes namely Ainsworths Anotations, A Concordance, & fishers Ashford Dispute	01–10–00
Jt	i Mortizeing Axe	00–02–06
Jt	i fann	00–02–06

Jt	Jn money	02–14–00
Jt	4 Cowes, in y^e deceased Tho: Olneys yard	10–00–00
This Jnventarey was made y^e yeare & day aforsd by us		41–19–00

Tho: Olney
Thomas Harris sen^r: Severall
Thomas ffield,

[**58**] Severall things, which were afterwards thought on.

Jtem	Jn y^e shopp, i Hetchell	00–09–00
Jt	Jn y^e Kittchen i Gunn	00–14–00
Jt	2 Axelltree pinnes	00–01–06
Jt	Att Epenetus Oleys house 1 old broad Axe	00–02–00
Jt	i old Ads	00–01–00
Jt	i Tennant saw	00–03–00
Jt	i wedge	00–01–00
Jt	Att Tho: Olneys house, i wooden bottle	00–00–09
Jt	i old Small drawing knife	00–00–06
Jt	i hand Saw	00–01–06
Jt	i stone hammer, or small Sledge	00–02–06
Jt	i Tennant Saw	00–02–00
Jt	i last knife	00–01–00
Jtem	Att M^r Jinks his house, one wooden Bottle	00–02–06
Jt	Att Tho: Olneys house, i Table, old & shattred	00–01–00
	Tho: Olney	02–04–03
	Thomas Harris sen^r:	
	Thomas ffield;	
The sum totall of this Jnventarey amounts to		78–09–05

Jf no mistake be in Casting up.

Thomas Olney, As Exsecutor to his deceased father Thomas

Olney, hath | upon his Engagement | before y^e^ Councill y^e^ 17^th^ of October in the yeare i682, decleared the aforsaid Jnventarey to Containe all y^e^ Estate of his said deceased ffather which he knoweth of, that is to be by law Jnventaried, And if at any time more Come to his hand, it shall be added to y^e^ said Jnventarey Taken before me

Arthur ffenner Assistant.

Thomas Olney, Thomas Harris sen^r^: & Thomas ffield vpon there Engagements before y^e^ Councill the 17^th^ day of October in y^e^ yeare i682 have attested to y^e^ trueth of y^e^ Jnventarey written on y^e^ other part of this paper; The yeare and day aforsaid; taken before Arthur ffenner Assistant

This Jnventarey is y^e^ 17^th^: day of October in y^e^ yeare i682 Allowed by us y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence as wittnesse our handes

Arthur ffenner Assistant
Joseph Jenckes Assistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
william Hopkins
Nathanaell waterman
Thomas ffield

The Enrolement of y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of Tolleration Harris deceased, as followeth. /

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of Tolleration Harris, deceased, Jmprimis, At Nathanaell Watermans, in his out house in y^e^ Roome where y^e^ fire is kept,

Jt	6 peuter platters; 2 basons, 5 Porrengers, i fflaggon, & 2 brasse Candlesticks, i quart pott, i wine quart pott, i pint pott, i halfe pint pott, i Gill pott, i halfe Gill pott, 2 saucers;	04–04–00

Jt	i2 diaper napkins	01–00–00
Jt	i diaper Table Cloath	00–12–00
Jt	i ℔ of sheetes	00–15–00
Jt	i shirt	00–10–00
		02–17–00

[**59**] These aforsd Goods in y^e^ handes & Custody of Howlong Harris

This Jnventarey taken & made y^e^ 6^th^, day of march in y^e^ yeare 1681 of so much of y^e^ Estate of Tolleration Harris deceased as was brought to our vew,

Epenetus Olney
The marke of X James weakely

Jn y^e^ handes of Andrew Harris, or at least of his takeing into his Custodye, As to apparrill,

1 Coate, & a paire of breeches of fine broad cloath, & also a sarge jack coat, & a sarge paire of breeches.

Jt i Saddle but little worne

Jt Jn y^e^ handes of Mary Burdin 3 peuter porengers, & two saucers, All which by sum Cannott be prised, by reason they Cannott be seene in y^e^ Condition as they were received.

A true account given by me of y^e^ Cloathing & saddle, 3 Porrengers & 2 saucers Howlong Harris

Howlong Harris upon her Engagment declareth that what is on y^e^ other side of this paper written is all y^e^ Estate which shee knoweth of belonging to her deceased Brother Tolleration Harris, & if at any time any more any wayes Comes to her knowledg shee will make it knowne to be added to y^e^ Jnventarey Jn y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill

March y^e^ 6^th^: $16\frac{81}{82}$ Taken before me

Joseph Jenckes Asistant

Att a meeteing of y^e^ Councill march y^e^ 13^th^: $168\frac{2}{3}$

Whereas there was a writeing directed to y^e^ towne Councill of y^e^ towne of providence subscribed Stephen Arnold, Dated pautuxett this 13^th^ of march 1683, Concerning a man & his wife with other charge (as is said) being of Evill fame Now settled within our Towneshipp, but upon w^t^ account wee know not, he haveing had no leave from, or by any authoritye of this towne, Wee y^e^ said Towne Councill have seene cause according to law to Jshue forth warrant to our Cunstable, or Cunstables, or Either of them to remoove y^e^ sd person with all his charge, Jf he y^e^ sd Evens doth not remoove himselfe & Charge out of y^e^ precinkes, or Jurisdiction of this Towne, by or before y^e^ 20^th^ day of this p^r^sant Jnstant.

Ordred by y^e^ Councill, in order to y^e^ information of Thomas Olney for y^e^ calling of a Towne Counc|ill| Meeteing, to order concerning a Cow & her increase which the deceased Thomas Olney left in, and to y^e^ Care of y^e^ Councill; the said Cattle being in y^e^ handes & Custodye of Epenetus Olney, the said Cow formerly being | of | the Estate of y^e^ deceased James Olney, & was left by y^e^ sd deceased Thomas Olney to y^e^ Care of y^e^ Councill to order Concerning the said Cow & increase from time to [**60**] to time for y^e^ best advantage of y^e^ 3 children of John Whipple jun^r^: (viz) Mary, John, and Elnathan, As apeears by a writeing under the said Thomas Olney sen^r^: | deceased | his hand, The which said Cattle were put into y^e^ handes of Epenetus Olney to keepe for halfe of y^e^ increase, & the sd terme of time being now Expired for which y^e^ said Epenetus tooke y^e^ sd Cattle, And also the said Mary whipple haveing now attained neere if not full accomplished y^e^

age of 18 yeares, at which time shee is to receive her part, of y^e^ said Cattle, The Councill doe therefore order & appoynt John whipple jun^r^: (father of y^e^ sd 3 children) to devide those Cattle which are y^e^ increase of y^e^ said Cow, with y^e^ said Epenetus Olney, & make y^e^ Report thereof to y^e^ Councell at there next meeteing.

The presentation of Richard waterman to this Councill is referred to theire next meeting & then to be adjetated.

The meeting is adjorned to y^e^ second munday in Aprill nex

The second munday in Aprill 1683, it being y^e^ 9^th^ day of y^e^ month, The Councill is againe met by adjornment from y^e^ 13^th^ of march, 168$\frac{2}{3}$:

Whereas y^e^ Councill at theire meeting the 13^th^ of march last ordred John whipple jun^r^: & Epenetus olney to devide y^e^ increase of a Cow which was by Thomas Olney sen^r^: disposed of to y^e^ 3 children of John whipple jun^r^: which was put into y^e^ handes of Epenetus Olney to keepe for halfe of y^e^ increase, Both John whipple and Epenetus Olney have this day made report unto y^e^ Councill that they have devided y^e^ said increase, And that there is for y^e^ Children upon devision, one Cow with Calfe, one 3 yeare old steere, and a yearling heifer; The old Cow which was the principle standeth yett undevided, which hath a calfe since devision. And whereas there hath benn a devision of y^e^ aforsd Cattle belonging to the 3 children of John whipple jun^r^: And mary Whipple y^e^ Eldest daughter of y^e^ sd John whipple being now 18 yeares of Age; Att which age, as to y^e^ Councill it doth appeare shee should receive her part of y^e^ said Cattle: The Councill doe therefore order that her ffather John whipple & her Vnkle Epenetus Olney shall

devide y^e^ said Cow which was y^e^ principle & all y^e^ rest of y^e^ increase into 3 parts Equall, and one part thereof to be delivered unto y^e^ said mary Whipple, & y^e^ other two parts remaineing to be put out for halfe of y^e^ increase for y^e^ terme of three yeares & about 2 monthes for y^e^ use of y^e^ other two Chilldren, The terme to begin from y^e^ 4^th^ of March last. The meeting is adjorned unto y^e^ last wednesday in this month, which will be y^e^ 25 Jnstant, about, 10 of y^e^ Clock in y^e^ fornoone.

The Councill is againe mett y^e^ 25^th^: of Aprill 1683.

Whereas there are severall papers Extant of our towne Councills acts, & Jnventareys of persons Estates &^c^: which are not upon our Councill Booke, by which y^e^ said papers may be liable to miscarrey, The Councill doe therefore order that all y^e^ said papers & Jnventareys, both the Councills acts & proceedes in y^e^ yeare 1670 about y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased Resolved waterman, And y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ said Resolved his Estate, beareing date the 29^th^: of Agust 1670, Also y^e^ wrighteing & order of disposition which The deceased Thomas Olney sen^r^: left for y^e^ Councill to order about the Cattell which he disposed of to the three Children [**61**] Children of John whipple jun^r^: with all other letters of Administrations, & Bondes by y^e^ Councill granted & taken be Entred & Enroled in o^r^ Councill booke, The persons who are concerned in y^e^ sd papers & writeings to satisfye for theire Entring & Enroling.

John whipple jun^r^: & Epenetus Olney hath this day made report unto y^e^ Councill, y^t^ according to y^e^ Councills order they have devided the Cattle which belonged y^e^ 3 children of y^e^ said John whipple, and have delivered unto mary whipple the Eldest daughter of y^e^ sd John whipple her part of the said

Cattle, the which shee hath received, saveing only one Cow which was y^e originall Cow, which is not yett devided: The Councill doe allow, & accept of y^e said returne; and doe order & appoynt that the said undevided Cow shall remaine untill John whipple, the brother of y^e said Mary whipple attaine to y^e age of 21 yeares, and then shall y^e said Cow & her increase be devided into three parts, & one of y^e 3 parts to be delivered unto y^e said mary whipple, or to her order, And the rest of y^e Cattle & theire increase to be devided betweene her brother John whiple, & her Sister Elnathan Whipple.

The aforsaid Cattle, that is to say, so maney as belong unto y^e said John whipple, & Elnathan whipple, the brother & sister of y^e said mary whipple; & also y^e aforsd originall Cow, are by John whipple (the father of y^e said Children) by y^e Councills allowance, lett out to y^e said Epenetus Olney for y^e terme of three yeares and about 2 monthes, begining y^e first day of May next, & y^e said Epenetus Olney for kepeing of y^e sd Cattle to have halfe of theire increase.

Ordred that a writeing be sent from the Councill to Richard Bates(| to warne him out of the towne | who is as wee are inform[ ] intended to settle within our towneshipp, he havein[ ] also brought a wooman with him. A Coppye of y^e sd writeing is as followeth.

ffor as much as you Richard Bates are Come into our towne, & as wee understand have a woman abideing with you, These are therefore to warne you forthwith to remoove yourselfe & the wooman with you Emediatly out of our jurisdiction, otherwise you will put us upon it to prossecute our law against you both for your remoovealls.

Aprill y^e^ 25; 1683: By y^e^ Councill
Arthur ffenner Asistant
Joseph Jenckes Asistant
Richard Arnold Asistant
Nathanaell Waterman
Thomas Olney
John Whipple jun^r^:
William Hopkins

Whereas at a Councill Meeteing June y^e^ 16^th^ 1682, there was put into the handes of Thomas Olney jun^r^: by y^e^ towne Councill forty shillings in money to be from time to time for the said Councills use, as they shall have ocation,

The said Thomas Olney hath this day given up his account unto y^e^ Councill, how the said Councill hath from time to time Expended the Said money; There being only 00–06–03 of y^e^ said money remaineing in the sd Tho: Olney his hand, The Councill doe owne y^e^ account, & doe order the said 6^s^: 3^d^: to be for y^e^ use of this presant Council

The meetting is desolved,

[62] The 4^th^ day of June 1683: those who were of y^e^ Towne Councill (save only Captaine ffenner) met together at y^e^ house of John whipple jun^r^: & there did Expend y^e^ sum of 3^s^: which was by Thomas Olney payd; There is yet 3^s^: 3^d^: in Tho: Olney his hand yet remaineing which belongeth to y^e^ Councill.

The meeting is Ended

At A meeteing of y^e^ Councill munday y^e^ 6^th^: of Agust 1683 The Councill Counted with Thomas Olney concerning y^e^ above-

said 3^{s}: 3^{d}: The said Thomas Olney giveth his account that y^{e} Councill at theire meeting Jully y^{e} 12: 1683: Expended y^{e} said 3^{s}: 3^{d} at y^{e} house of John whipple jun^{r} the which was by the said Thomas Olney there payd, The Councill is Sattisfied with y^{e} account; nothing now is remaineing of y^{e} Councills mony in y^{e} said Tho: Olney his hands /

[**63**] Agust y^{e} 17th: 1670.

The Towne Councill is met to order about the Estate of Resolved Waterman deceased,

Nathanaell Waterman is appoynted as next of y^{e} kinn of y^{e} said deceased Resolved waterma[ ] to take with him two honnest neighbours according to y^{e} law & take an Jnventarey of his Estate.

The meeteing of y^{e} Councill is adjorned unto y^{e} 29th of this instant.

Agust y^{e} 29th: 1670: The Councill is againe mett

Nathanaell waterman hath this day brought in an Jnventarey of his deceased brother Resolved waterman his Estate taken by himselfe & Thomas Harris sen^{r}: & John whipple jun^{r}: The which said Jnventarey the Councill have accepted, Allowed, & Received.

Nathanaell waterman, Thomas Harris sen^{r}: & John Whiple jun^{r}: have given theire Engagements Concerning y^{e} said Jnventarey according as y^{e} law requires.

Ordred y^{t} y^{e} Councill meete againe upon y^{e} 5th of september next. /

September y^{e} 5th 1670: the Councill is againe mett: /

Richard waterman came to y^{e} Councill this day & did present unto them a deede of Gift under his hand & seale of Cer-

taine landes which hee gave to his three Grand children the sons of Resolved waterman, (deceased), The which said writeing y^e^ Councill hath received into theire handes: The which said deede of Gift the Councill doe order shall be by y^e^ Towne Clarke of this Towne from time to time kept in y^e^ Towne Clarks office, & shall be Emediatly Recorded in our Towne Booke (virbatum) And Coppyes to be given out unto whome it doth belong by y^e^ Clarke they satisfieing y^e^ Clarke for writeing.

The meeting is Ended /

At a meeteing of y^e^ Councill Januarey y^e^ 9^th^: $16\frac{70}{71}$ where was presant william Carpenter; Roger williams, Thomas Olney sen^r^: william Harris, John Sayles, & Thomas Olney jun^r^; ffor as much as much time hath benn spent in adjetation & debate in matters as to the settling of y^e^ Estate of the deceased Resolved waterman, & nothing yet brought to a Conclusion; it is therefore ordred & agreed upon that y^e^ Councill doe send for, & desire John Throckmorton, John whipple sen^r^: Gregorey Dexter, John Browne, Christophar Smith, & [**64**] Thomas Arnold sen^r^: to meete with y^e^ said Councill upon munday y^e^ 16^th^ of this instant about 9 of y^e^ clock in y^e^ Morning at y^e^ house of John Whipple sen^r^: there to lend theire advice & give theire aprehentions as Concerning y^e^ setlement of y^e^ said Estate. The meeteing is adjorned unto y^e^ 16^th^: instant, 9 in y^e^ Morning.

Januarey y^e^ 16^th^: 1670: 71. The Councill is againe mett.

Thomas Arnold sen^r^, Christophar Smith, John Whipple sen^r^: & John Browne hath this day Come unto y^e^ Councill, and have declared theire opinions as to the setlement of y^e^ Estate of Resolved waterman, (Deceased). /

M^r^ John Sayles is by y^e^ Councill desired to informe mercy

waterman that y^e^ Councill have concluded concerning y^e^ setlement of her late deceased husband his Estate, & have pitched upon her for Administratrix, & therefore doe desire her to be presant with them at theire next meeteing to accept of y^e^ same, & to give in bond for y^e^ performance thereof. The meeteing is adjorned unto Munday y^e^ 23^d^: of this instant. /

Januarey y^e^ 23^d^: 1670: 71. the Councill is againe mett.

The Councill haveing long waited and Mercy Waterman not appeareing, it was demanded of m^r^ Sayles whether he did y^e^ message unto her which y^e^ Councill desired him to doe when they were last mett, he answered, that he had benn with her, & did theire message unto her.

The Councill waiteing & mercy waterman not coming to informe them whether shee will accept of what they have done in appoynting of her Administratrix to administer upon y^e^ Estate of her deceased husband; Jt is therefore ordred that some lines be sent from y^e^ Councill unto her to request her Emediatly to make her appearance, that so y^e^ Councill may be Certainly informed of her whether shee will accept of what they have done or no.

A Coppie of y^e^ said lines are as followeth.

Mercy Waterman /

The towne Councill hath often mett about y^e^ settlement of yo^r^ husband (who is lately deceased) his Estate: They have at last come to a detirmination & have appoynted yourselfe y^e^ Exsecutrix, to Administer upon y^e^ Said Estate; The Councill being now againe mett doe request your presence now at y^e^ house of John whipple sen^r^: to take a letter of Administeration from us & also to give in bond Concerning y^e^ premises

Januarey y^e^ 23: $16\frac{70}{71}$. Tho: Olney jun^r^, Jo^n^: Sayles

William Carpenter
Thomas Olney Senior

[65] Mr Sayles is by ye Councill desired to Carrey ye said writeing to mercy waterman, & to returne her possitive answere.

vpon ye recept of ye said writeing mercy waterman hath this day appeared before ye Councill & hath given them her possitive answere; which is; That shee will not accept of any power of Administration from them as to administer upon ye Estate of her late deceased husband, neither would shee give in any bond unto them Concerning the same. The Councill considering ye sd Answere, and also Considering ye Estate of ye said deceased Resolved Waterman now is in ye handes of ye said Mercy waterman, on which said Estate they find shee hath already Administred upon without order; Therefore theire Conclusion is, that they have proceeded as farr in ye matter as is for them to doe; & that ye said Mercy Waterman is lyable to respond for ye said Estate when legally Called there unto; as Administerator of her owne wrong.

The meeteing is Desolved. /

Here followeth ye Enroulment of ye Jnventarey of ye Estate of ye Deceased Resolved waterman

The prisall of ye Estate, so much as was brought to our vew, of Resolved waterman of providence lately deceased, being taken this 29th: of Agust 1670.

Jmprimis,	The House & home shares	30:00–0
Jt	Twenty acres of land lieing at ventr:	5–0–0
Jt	Twenty acrs of land lieing by his howse in ye woodes	5–0–0
Jt	six acrs of land lieing in ye Neck	2–0–0
Jt	Two acrs & halfe of land lieing in ye new field	i–0–0

Jt	one share of meadow lieing in venter meadow	8– 0– 0
Jt	one Right of Comon	5– 0– 0
Jt	ffifty acrs of land & a share of meadow in y^e^ new devision	10– 0– 0
Jt	4 Cowes, & two oxen	26– 0– 0
Jt	six two yeare old beasts	12– 0– 0
Jt	Two yeare old beast	2–10– 0
Jt	Two Calves	i– 5– 0
Jt	one horse & one maare	10– 0– 0
Jt	one yeare old Maare	2– 0– 0
Jt	one horse foale	i– 0– 0
Jt	one sow, 4 shoats, & 3 spring piggs	4– 0– 0
Jt	one paire of wheells	i– 4– 0
Jt	one bed & beding belonging to it	4– 0– 0
Jt	one bed stud, one gunn, one sword	i–10– 0
[66] Jt	his working tooles	i– 5– 0
Jt	halfe a saw & one spining wheele	0–12– 0
Jt	Lumber & nailes	0–12– 0
Jt	one bed & beding & Curtains	5– 0– 0
Jt	one bed & beding	2– 0– 0
Jt	Two bedstuds	i–15– 0
Jt	His weareing apparill, shooes, & hatts	4– 0– 0
Jt	one Chest & what is in it	i– 0– 0
Jt	one Chest	0–10– 0
Jt	Two old chests & a box	0– 6– 0
Jt	A warming pann, & a looking glasse	0–12– 0
Jt	one table & 4 Chaires	0–12– 0
Jt	The pewter	i–10– 0
Jt	Jron Potts, & Jron Kettles	2– 0– 0
Jt	other Jron waare	i– 5– 0

Jt	ffive Brasse Kettles	5– 0– 0
Jt	Two barriles, & wooden trayes & dishes	i– 0– 0
Jt	Two Small Barrills & payles	0– 5– 0
Jt	one five acrs of land lieing at Gotham valley	2– 0– 0
Jt	one house stand, in y^e^ woodes	10– 0– 0
	The totall is	172–13–00

if no mistake in Casting up;

A faire prisall by us who were chosen thereto as wittnesse our handes this 29^th^ of Agust 1670. /

Nathaniell Waterman, who by the Towne Councill was appoynted as next of y^e^ Kinn, to take an Jnventarey.

Thomas Harris sen^r^: /
John whipple jun^r^: /

The towne Councill is mett & in being July y^e^ 12^t^: 1683.

Ordred that for this presant yeare, y^e^ Councill shall meete upon y^e^ first munday in Every month Excepting only june which is y^e^ townes Election day.

Whereas Richard Bates hath brought into our towne a woman, who he pretends to be his wife, & hath without any order or allowance from our towne, or any of the authoritye thereof begun a setlement therein or at least within y^e^ jurisdiction thereof, purposeing here to make theire [**67**] abode; upon which y^e^ Councill sent a prohibition unto y^e^ said Bates beareing date y^e^ 25 of Aprill 1683: to warne him Emediatly to re Moove himselfe & y^e^ said woman with him out of y^e^ jurisdiction of our said towne; But y^e^ said Bates, & y^e^ said woman his pretended wife, not remooveing themselves according to y^e^ said Order, but yett remaine within y^e^ jurisdiction of our said towne contrarey thereunto; upon which y^e^ law detirmins

Execution accordingly to be done & performed upon them for y^e^ forceing of theire remoovalls. The said Richard Bates haveing this day appeared before y^e^ Councill, & haveing ben questioned for his Contempt: He haveing made applycation to y^e^ Councill, Requesting y^e^ Councill to suspend theire Execution for his & y^e^ | said | womans remoovall untill y^e^ 21 day of October next, And doth Engage, that betweene this day & y^e^ said 21 day of October hee will Remoove himselfe & y^e^ said woman, and all manner of charge which may any wayes by them arise, out of y^e^ jurisdiction of this towne, & not within y^e^ same in any place to make abode. Vpon his said Request, the Councill upon Consideration, have ordred, & doe order that Execution shall be suspended untill y^e^ said 21 day of October next. /

John whipple jun^r^: the late towne clarke hath this day presented to y^e^ Councill an Jnventarey which he Caused to be taken & made of y^e^ Estate of John Smith of this towne of Providence who lately was drownded, the which Jnventarey beareth date y^e^ 22^nd^: day of May 1683:

Epenetus Olney, & Zachariah ffield hath this day attested unto y^e^ said Jnventarey before y^e^ Councill. /

Whereas y^e^ Estate of y^e^ aforsaid deceased John Smith lieth at presant with y^e^ Councill, And whereas there is a peece of Rye in y^e^ widdow Harris her field in which y^e^ said John Smith was conserned, but how much his concerns were is uncertaine; The Councill doe order [**68**] order Captaine Arthur ffenner to prouide Reapers & cut downe the said field of Rye, & take it up & stack it, & both y^e^ said Cap^t^ ffen^r^: & y^e^ said Reapers to be pay for theire labours out of y^e^ said Rye.

Whereas there is a woman Come into our towne haveing

brought a young child with her, haveing made her abode with Samuell Tift, But no bond being given to secure the Towne from what charge may Ensue; The Councill doe therefore order that y^e^ said woman shall remoove herselfe & her child out of y^e^ jurisdiction of this towne by y^e^ 10^th^ day of Agust next Ensueing, otherwise y^e^ Councill will be Constrained to prossecute y^e^ Law for theire remoovalls; And y^t^ notice be given her for y^t^ purpose

A Coppye whereof is as followeth

Whereas you Mary Bellowes have for some time made residence in our towne bringing a child with you, & haveing put in no bond for y^e^ townes securitye, These are therefore to informe you, that y^e^ Councill have ordred y^t^ you shall, & also your child depart out of y^e^ jurisdiction of our towne by y^e^ 10^th^ day of Agust next, otherwise they will be put upon it to propegate our law further for your remoovalls. / And you are hereby warned to remoove. July y^e^ 12^f^: 1683: By y^e^ Councill

Arthur ffenner Assist:
Richard Arnold Asist:
william Hopkins
Thomas ffield
Thomas Olney
Nathaniell waterman
Edward Smith
Thomas Arnold.

Here followeth an order for the warning of Abigall Sibly out of the jurisdiction of our Towne

Whereas y^e^ Councill is informed that there is a person one Abigal Sibley by name who is come with [**69**] within y^e^

jurisdiction of our towne, & with her hath brought a child: And least what charge may accrew unto our towne; These are therefore to warne you Abigall Sibley forthwith to remoove yourselfe & your said Child, out of y^e^ jurisdiction of our towne, otherwise we shall be constrained further to propegate o^r^ our law for your remoovealls. /

July y^e^ 12: 1683: By y^e^ Councill
Joseph Jenkes Asist:
Richard Arnold Assist:
Thomas Olney
Nathaniell waterman
Thomas ffield;
Edward Smith,
Thomas Arnold

Samuell Wilkenson Constable you are in his Majestyes name required to read this within written unto y^e^ person Exprest, & to her deliver it. /
July y^e^ 12; 1683.
By me Richard Arnold Asist:

Whereas y^e^ Councill is informed that there is a publication sett up in a publick place of this towne subscribed Arthur ffenner Assistant, publishing of Thomas Cooper & Abigall Sibley in way of Marriage. /

The Councill doe order that a prohibition from y^e^ Councill be Emediatly sett up under y^e^ said publication to forbid y^e^ Marriage. /

A Coppy of y^e^ prohibition is as followeth. /

Whereas there is a publication beareing date y^e^ 7^th^ instant, made by Arthur fen^r^: Asistant, publishing on Tho: Cooper in way of Marriage with on Abigall Sibley; And whereas we y^e^ towne Councill of Providence are betrusted with y^e^ afairs of y^e^ said towne as to persons which may be in any likelyhood chargeable unto y^e^ towne, or be any wayes Reproachfull thereunto. And whereas y^e^ said Tho: Coopper hath manifested

himselfe a person infamous; in that he hath forsaken a sober woman who is his wife, leaveing of her to what may befall her, as to y^e^ Care of friends or towne; himselfe wandring the [70] the Countrey setting of his mind upon others: which in case he should be joyned in marriage with y^e^ said woman he may as well leave her & depart, leaveing y^e^ said woman & child w^ch^: shee hath brought with her as charge to y^e^ towne. Wee the said Councill upon y^e^ aforsaid Groundes; & for that the said Cooper appeares no other but already to be in wedlock Doe, by y^e^ trust to us Comitted forbid marriage upon y^e^ abovesaid publication. /

Dated July y^e^ 12^th^: 1683: By y^e^ Councill,
Joseph Jenkes Asist:
Richard Arnold Asist:
Thomas Olney
Thomas ffield
Nathaniell waterman
Thomas Arnold
Edward Smith. /

Jt is ordred y^t^ a writeing be sett up on some publick place of y^e^ towne to give notice unto all persons both Creaditors, & debtors to y^e^ Estate of y^e^ late deceased John Smith to Come in unto y^e^ Councill the first munday in Agust next y^t^ y^e^ Councill from them may receive information:

A Copye of y^e^ sd proclaimation is as followeth;

To all persons both debtors, & creaditors who are Concerned as to y^e^ Estate of y^e^ late deceased John Smith, This writeing is to signifie that y^e^ towne Councill doe meete upon y^e^ first munday in Agust next therefore all persons are desired there to appeare (or at least by writeing send in to y^e^ Councill &

make it appeare what is due unto them out of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said deceased John Smith, that so y^e^ Councill may be in a Cappasseitye to make up accounts; And also y^t^ all y^e^ Debtors would Come, or send in also and declare what they are to y^e^ said Estate indebted.

July y^e^ 12: 1683: By y^e^ Councill
Thomas Olney,
Towne Clarke. /

The horse aprised in y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ late deceased John Smith at 3^lb^: 6^s^ we find to be in y^e^ hands of Benjamin Carpenter:

[**71**] At a meeteing of y^e^ Councill munday y^e^ 6^th^: of Agust 1683:

Whereas by an order of y^e^ Councill July y^e^ 12: 1683: Mary Bellowes & her child was ordred to depart y^e^ towne by y^e^ 10^th^: of Agust 1683; The Councill upon further Consideration doe allow y^e^ said Mary Bellowes & her child so much time longer to tarrey in this towne as untill y^e^ first day of Aprill next & then to remoove herselfe & her said child out of our said Towne.

Whereas there is 30^s^: brought in upon y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ late deceased John Smith Howlong harris debtor to y^e^ said Estate:

But upon Examination into y^e^ matter y^e^ Councill Cannott find anything to be due as is charged from y^e^ said howlong Harris; The Councill doe therefore order that y^e^ said 30^s^: be Cancelled in y^e^ said Jnventarey.

Other matters concerning y^e^ said Estate are referred to y^e^ next sitting of y^e^ councill;

The meeting is desolved. /

At a meeting of y^e^ Councill October y^e^ 8^th^: 1683.

Ordred that Cap^t^: Arthur ffenner doe take into his hands all y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased John Smith (who was drounded in May last) all his said Estate which can be found within y^e^ Confines of y^e^ Towne of Providence, & with what speede he can | to | make sale thereof to y^e^ best advantage unto y^e^ said Estate as Conveniently. And when Sale is made thereof to give up his account to y^e^ Councill, that debts may be payd so farr as y^e^ said Estate will bare: He to be payd for his trouble and paines out of y^e^ Estate. And that y^e^ said Cap^t^: Arthur ffenner is by these presents Authorized & impowred, to aske demand, & Receive of all & Every person who hath of y^e^ said Estate in his, or theire handes.

The meeting is Desolved. /

[72] At a meeteing of y^e^ Councill December y^e^ 3^d^: 1683: the first Munday of y^e^ Month. /

The Councill doe order that Robert Davis doe depart this Towne by Wednesday Night next.

Ordred that y^e^ Majestrats doe send theire warrants to bring in Abigall Sibley, Richard Bates, & y^e^ woman with him dwelling; & one Henry Wood; & a man which is a Weaver, (at presant at Edward Londons) to appeare before y^e^ Councill the first Munday in Januarey next, at John whipple jun^r^: his house to give an account of theire Resideing in our Towne.

The meeteing is Desolved. /

At a meeteing of y^e^ Councill Januarey y^e^ 7^th^: 168$\frac{3}{4}$: Jt being y^e^ first Munday of y^e^ month

Whereas there was an order past by y^e^ Councill July y^e^ 21: 1683: that Richard Bates & y^e^ woman which he kept with him should remoove out of y^e^ jurisdiction of this Towne, & also all

charge which might by them arise, should by y^e^ said Richard Bates be remooved as aforsd betweene y^e^ day of y^e^ said orders date & y^e^ 21 day of October following y^e^ said date of y^e^ said Order. And whereas the said Richard Bates & y^e^ said woman is yet resideing within y^e^ jurisdiction of our said Towne; The Councill Considering y^e^ Coldnesse of y^e^ presant season and the difficultye of y^e^ winter season for remooveall, Doe order that y^e^ said Richard Bates shall remoove himselfe & y^e^ woman with him dwelling & all charge which hath any wayes arisen by or through y^e^ said Richard Bates, or y^e^ woman with him dwelling, or by them both) out of y^e^ jurisdiction of y^e^ said Towne of Providence betweene y^e^ day of y^e^ date hereof & y^e^ last day of March next Ensueing; otherwise y^e^ Majestrates shall cause them to be remooved according to our law. /

Whereas there is one Abigall Sibley come into our Towne & with her brought a young child, & within our Towneshipp is Entertained by one Thomas Cooper. And whereas y^e^ said Abigall sibley hath formerly benn by y^e^ Councill warned to remoove herselfe & her said Child out of y^e^ jurisdiction of our said Towne; yett not withstanding the said Abigall Sibley doth with her said child remaine within our Towneshipp: The Councill doe therefore order that for as much as it is at presant winter season, the said Abigall Sibley shall betweene this presant day & the first Munday in March Next Ensueing remoove herselfe and her said Child out of y^e^ jurisdiction of this Towne of Providence; otherwise the [**73**] the majestrates shall Exercise theire power to remoove them according as our law provides. And that y^e^ said Thomas Coopper, & y^e^ said Abigall not to live together dureing y^e^ aforesd time. /

The meeting is desolved

At A Meeting of y^e^ Councill ffebruarey the 4^th^: 168$\frac{3}{4}$ Jt being y^e^ first Munday of y^e^ said month.

The Councill hath this day continued unto John Whipple jun^r^: his licence beareing date the 16^th^: day of june in y^e^ yeare 1682: untill the first Munday in June next which will be in the yeare 1684: & for y^e^ Continuance thereof, the sayd John whipple is to allow y^e^ Towne & Councill Sufficient house Roome & fire roome & fireing & Candle at all theire Towne Meetings & Councill meeteings untill y^e^ first Munday in june next which will be in y^e^ yeare 1684.

Jt is Granted unto Ephraim Prey that he shall have his Mothers Licence which she received of y^e^ Councill in y^e^ yeare 1682: Continued unto him untill y^e^ first Munday in June next to kepe a publick house of Entertainment in our Towne, or Else a New licence untill y^e^ said Time, given him, he payeing of the Clarke for writeing it & also y^e^ said Ephraim to give in Bond to y^e^ Councill for keeping good orders dureing the time of his licence, & to pay y^e^ Clarke for writeing of y^e^ Bond, & what writeing may be Endorsed in Case the Licence as abovesd be renewed.

The whole matter as to licenceing of Ephraim Prey is left unto Thomas Olney Towne Clarke to doe it on y^e^ Councills behalfe, & of him to take Bond.

The Councill this day hath taken 20^s^: of Ephraim Prey for his licence, the which said 20^s^: is Comitted unto Thomas olney to keepe & despose of as y^e^ Councill shall order.

The Councill doe order & appoynt Thomas Olney to deliver unto Ephraim Prey 10^s^: of y^e^ aforsd 20^s^:

Tenn shillings of y^e^ aforsd 20^s^: is, according to y^e^ aforsd order, by Thomas Olney delivered unto Ephriam Prey. /

The meeting is Desolved.

At a meeting of y^e^ Councill march y^e^ 3^d^: 168¾: it being y^e^ first Munday of y^e^ Month.

Ordred that some lines be sent from y^e^ Councill to y^e^ Towne Councill of Warwick to make inquirye if there be in theire handes any of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased John Smith, or have any knowledge where any may be.

A Copye is as followeth.

Gentlemen

Whereas John Smith of our Towne of Providence the son of Thomas Smith formerly of yo^r^ Towne of Warwick (Tailor) deceased in May last, And [**74**] and dieing intested our Towne Councill are put upon it to make inquirey after his Estate; And understanding that your Towne Councill hath acted about the Estate of y^e^ said John Smith his ffather (viz) Thomas Smith; Wee the Towne Councill of Providence desire you to order us an account whether there be any Mooveable Estate which belongeth unto y^e^ said deceased John Smith his Estate in your handes; or any wayes by y^e^ Towne Councill of warwick Comitted into any other hand.

Att our Councill meeting, Yo^r^: ffriends & Neighbours
march y^e^ 3^d^: 168¾: y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence.

By order of y^e^ Councill Tho: Olney, Towne Clarke

To Major John Greene, or M^r^ Benjamin Barton, for y^e^ Towne Councill of Warwick.

The first Munday in Aprill 1684. The Councill Came not together, only Richard Arnold, Thomas Arnold & Thomas Olney,

Therefore nothing was proceeded in. /

At a meeting of y^e^ Councill may y^e^ 5^th^: 1684: it being y^e^ first munday of y^e^ month.

Whereas Capt: Arthur ffenner was formerly appoynted by y^e^ Councill to Administer on y^e^ Councills behalfe upon y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased John Smith. The said Capt: ffenner having this day given an account to y^e^ Councill of what goods belonging to y^e^ said Estate he hath sold, & what monies he hath disbursted. The Councill doe further order the said Capt: ffenner to make disburstments of y^e^ said Estate unto y^e^ Creaditors of y^e^ said John Smith & pay debts therewith so farr as y^e^ Estate will bare proportionable to Each Creaditor, & if any of y^e^ Estate remaine over plusse, after y^e^ debts are all paid, the said Capt: ffenner to keepe the same in his hands to remaine untill y^e^ Councill further order Concerning it; And for y^e^ said Capt: ffenner to make up all accounts with y^e^ said Creaditors; And to demand & receive what debts are due to y^e^ said Estate; & to give up his accounts Concerning his said actings unto y^e^ Councill at theire next meeting, & y^e^ said Cap^t^: ffenner to be paid out of y^e^ said Estate for his paines

Ordred y^t^ a declaration be set up under the hand of y^e^ Towne Clarke to give notice to all y^e^ Creaditors of John Smith, (deceased) to repaire on Munday y^e^ 19^th^: instant, unto the house of John ffield about 9: or 10: of the Clock there to receive theire dues of y^e^ said Estate so farr as y^e^ Estate will bar[ ]

[**75**] A Coppie of y^e^ said declaration is as followeth.

To all the Creaditors to y^e^ Estate of John Smith (Deceased.)

These are to signifie unto you, & Every of you, That y^e^ Councill have appoynted Capt: Arthur ffenner to devide out

unto you, & with y^e^ Estate of y^e^ late deceased John Smith to pay debts due so farr as y^e^ said Estate will bare. Jn Order whereunto you are to repaire unto the house of John ffield about 9: or 10: of the clock on munday y^e^ 19^th^: of this instant may 1684: there to receive your pay.

May y^e^ 5^th^: 1684: By order of y^e^ Councill
Tho: Olney Towne Clarke.

This day Joseph Smith presented unto the Councill an Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of the deceased John Joanes; who died the first day of this instant may.

Ordred, That a Proclaimation be set up upon som publick place of This Towne to give notice unto all that make claime any wayes to any of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased John Joanes, to repaire unto y^e^ Councill upon Wednesday y^e^ 21^st^: instant at y^e^ house of John whipple jun^r^; there to propegate theire demands; the which proclamation shall be signed by y^e^ Towne Clark.

A Coppie whereof is as followeth. /

To all & Every person who are any waies Concerned with y^e^ Estate of y^e^ late deceased John Joanes. These are to signifie unto you, that you, & Every of you are to repaire unto y^e^ Councill upon wednesday y^e^ 21^st^: of this instant May 1684 at the house of John Whipple jun^r^: there to make, propegate & proove your demands.

May y^e^ 5^th^: 1684. By order of y^e^ Council
Tho; Olney Towne Clark.

The meting is adjorned untill wednesday y^e^ 21^st^: Jnstant.

May y^e^ 21^st^: 1684 The Councill is againe come together & met by Adjornment from y^e^ 5^th^ instant.

whereas the Councill did before appoynt Capt: Arthur ffen-

ner to Administer upon y^e^ Estate of y^e^ late deceased John Smith, & to discharge y^e^ Creaditors of y^e^ said John Smith so farr forth as y^e^ said Estate will beare. proportionable to Each Debt. And whereas y^e^ said Arthur ffenner hath this day made Report unto y^e^ Councill y^t^ according to y^e^ Councills order he did upon y^e^ 19^th^ instant tender unto y^e^ said Creaditors the Estate of y^e^ said John Smith to discharge Each one so farr as y^e^ said Estate would beare: But y^e^ said Creaditors slighteing y^e^ said Estate, & fell to jangling [**76**] & so went away receiveing Nothing. vpon which returne [upon which returne,] The Councill doe further order y^t^ y^e^ said Capt: Arthur ffenner doe yet proceede in y^e^ said Administration, & call into his handes all the said Estate within y^e^ Confines of Providence where or in whose handes so Ever it may be found, & y^e^ said Estate to proportion unto the said Creaditors. & in Case any of y^e^ said Creaditors will refuse or Neglect to receive y^e^ same, Then for y^e^ said Capt: ffenner to keepe y^t^ part of y^e^ said Estate so refused still in his handes & to finish all matters concerning y^e^ said Estate in such time to returne an account unto y^e^ Councill y^e^ 30^th^ instant.

Jnquirey hath this day benn made whether the late deceased John Joanes made any dispossition of his Estate by any will made, But no will appeares, Therefore y^e^ Councill proceeds as the said Joanes dyeing intested.

The Councill haveing taken into Consideration to order about y^e^ Estate of y^e^ late deceased John Joanes, And doe Comitt the Administration of y^e^ said John Joanes his Estate unto Joseph Smith (the son of John Smith the mason) the said Joseph Smith haveing the said Estate already in his handes; And the said Joseph Smith legally to dispose of y^e^ said Estate & what Else as y^e^ law requirs

Ordred

That on y^e^ Councills behalfe Thomas Olney the Towne Clarke doe signe a letter of Administration to Joseph Smith to Administer upon y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased John Joanes.

The Record of Joseph Smith his letter of Administration upon y^e^ Estate of John Joanes

A Coppye of y^e^ letter of Administeration followeth

Whereas John Joanes of y^e^ Towne of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England died y^e^ first day of this instant may: & dieing intested his Estate falling unto y^e^ Care of y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence aforsaid for dispossition.

Therefore wee the Towne Councill of Providence aforesaid doe, Order, Comitt & Appoynt Administeration & the Administration of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said deceased John Joanes wee doe Comitt unto you Joseph Smith (the son of John Smith the mason) to order doe & dispose thereof, & upon y^e^ same & Every part thereof to Administer, & therewith to doe according as the law in Such Cases requires, Jn doeing whereof this shall be your discharge.

At our Councill meeteing by adjornment May y^e^ 21^st^: 1684.

By order of y^e^ Councill
Thomas Olney
Towne Clarke

Vpon y^e^ Recept of the said letter of Administeration the said Joseph Smith hath given in unto y^e^ Towne Councill & Every of theire successors a bond of twenty pounds sterling for y^e^ true performance of y^e^ trust to him Comitted in y^e^ said letter of Administration, the bond is under his hand & seale

[77] The meeting is adjorned untill friday y^e^ 30^th^ insta|nt|

ffriday May y^e^ 30^th^: 1684. the Councill is againe met by adjornment from y^e^ 21^st^ instant.

whereas there is one John Downing come into our Towne & with him brought a woman which he saith is his wife; Jnquirey hath this day benn made into y^e^ matter, but y^e^ Councill cannot at presant receive satisfaction: The Councill doe therefore at presant suspend y^e^ matter, But y^e^ said Downing & y^e^ said woman shall not thereupon take any allowance to tarrey in our Towne.

whereas John Steere chargeth y^e^ Estate of y^e^ Deceased John Smith debtor y^e^ sum of three poundes & fifteene shillings & six pence, The said John Steere hath of y^e^ said Estate received the sum of twenty & foure shillings. The remainder of his debt being two poundes & Eleven shillings, & six pence; This day Capt: Arthur ffenner hath in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill, & on y^e^ Councills behalfe tendred unto y^e^ said John Steere to discharge y^e^ said John Steere y^e^ remainder of y^e^ said debt with y^e^ Goods y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said John Smith proportionable to other Creaditors. But y^e^ said John Steere Refused to take y^e^ said Goodes for pay.

This day Ephraim Prey, Daniell Williams, & Benjamin Carpenter the Creaditors of John Smith who deceased y^e^ 16^th^ of May i683 have benn discharged theire debts out of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased John Smith aforsd so farr forth as y^e^ said Estate would beare to proportion with other Creaditors, the which Each one of them declareth to be satisfied with for y^e^ whole debts unto them due. /

The Goodes of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ aforesaid John Smith which were tendred unto y^e^ said John Steere were, A Spoke Shave, two wimble stocks, A paire of Wooden Compasse[ ] A paire

of Spater lashes, a Sarge Coate, thre|e| paire of Trowsers, A Kersey Coate & westcot, two shirts, one old westcoat.

All y^e^ aforsaid goods are left at y^e^ house of John whipple, junior, there to remaine untill further care by those unto whome the care thereof doth belong be taken.

The Estate of the abovesaid John Smith who deceased y^e^ 16^th^: day of May 1683: & died intested, amounteth to y^e^ Sum of 11–17–02

The Debts found to be unto the Creaditors of y^e^ said John Smith amounteth to the sum of 13–02–04

whereas there was upon the 4^th^ of ffebruarey 168¾: at a meeteing of y^e^ Councill 10^s^: in money by the Councill put into y^e^ handes of Thomas Olney, The said tenn shillings the said Thomas Olney keepeth to himselfe towards dischargeing for the writeing which hee hath this yeare done for y^e^ Councill.

The meeteing is Desolved. /

[**78**] The Record of the Jnventarey of the Estate of the deceased John Joanes; as followeth. /

The Jnventarey Made of all the Goods of John Joanes late of |Providence| the Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland in new England deceased, taken viewed & prised the third day of May in y^e^ yeare 1684: by Epenetus Olney thomas Arnold.

	lb	s	d
Jmprimis one pott & pott hookes	00	06	06
Jt one Kittle of Jron	00	03	00
Jt one Brasse skillett	00	02	06
Jt one old frieing pan	00	00	09
Jt one Tramill	00	02	06
Jt one old fire slice	00	00	04

Jt	one paire of bellowes	00–01–00
Jt	one paire of Tongs	00–01–06
Jt	one old quart pott, one pewter platter one pewter bottell, one poringer two spoones	00–04–00
Jt	one Glasse bottle	00–00–06
Jt	Two old trayes, three platters, foure trenchers	00–02–00
Jt	One small butter tubb, one peck, one halfe peck, one payle, one old Sive	00–03–00
Jt	One table	00–03–00
Jt	Two old barrills, one firkin	00–01–06
Jt	One old Coate & one old paire of breeches	00–08–00
Jt	one Old boytle Ring, & old Jron	00–01–06
Jt	one Cubbard	00–02–00
Jt	one Chest	00–04–06
Jt	one Coate & a paire of Breeches	01–05–00
Jt	one bed & bed Cloathes	03–10–00
Jt	one shirt, one paire of New stockins two paire of Old stakins	00–04–00
Jt	One payre of Gloves, & one paire of mittins	00–01–04
Jt	Three old Capps, two old Neckcloathes	00–00–08
Jt	ffoure old wastcoats, one girdle three bottoms yarne	00–05–00
Jt	ffire wood & twoo old Chaires	00–02–00
Jt	to one percell of Meate	00–08–00
	This is a true inventarey according to y^{e} best Jnformation we had	08–04–01

Epenetus Olney, Thomas Arnold. /

The sum totall is 8^{lb}: 4^{s}: 1^{d}.

Enodorsed on y^{e} back side as followeth, Epenetus | Olney | & Thomas Arnold the fift day of May in y^{e} yeare 1684 came before

Capt: Arthur ffenner Assistant in the presence of y^e^ Councill & upon there Engagements did testifie to y^e^ trueth of y^e^ inventarey on the other Side of this paper written,

As Attests Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

Joseph Smith this 5^th^ day | of May | in y^e^ yeare 1684 Came before y^e^ Councill, & there before Arthur ffenner, Assistant, did Engage to the truth of y^e^ inventarey on y^e^ other Side of this paper written; And that what is therein Contained is all y^e^ Mooveable Estate which any wayes belonged to the deceased John Joanes, that he knoweth of.

Recorded June the 24^th^: 1685
by me Tho: Olney Towne Clarke

[**79**] At a meeteing of y^e^ towne Councill May y^e^ 27^th^ 1685:

This day Joseph whipple presented unto y^e^ Councill the last will & testament of his deceased ffather John whipple sen^r^: it beareing date y^e^ 8^th^ day of May 1682: desireing probation thereof.

Also together with y^e^ said will the said Joseph whipple presented y^e^ Councill with y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of his said deceased father, taken & made may y^e^ 22^nd^: 1685.

The last will & testament of y^e^ deceased John whipple sen^r^: beareing date y^e^ 8^th^ day of May 1682 hath benn by y^e^ Councill this day Examined, & is by y^e^ Councill approoved. /

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said deceased John whipple taken & made May y^e^ 22^nd^: 1685: hath benn Examined & is allowed. /

Joseph Whipple Exsecutor unto his deceased father John

whipple sen^{r}: hath this day given in Ninty pounds sterling bond to the Councill for y^{e} due performance of his said father his said last will & testament. The Councill hath Given full power of Administration unto Joseph whipple to Administer upon y^{e} Estate of his late deceased father John whipple sen^{r} by letter of Administration,

A Coppye thereof is as followeth. /

Whereas you Joseph Whipple of the Towne of Providence in y^{e} Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England being by y^{e} last Will & testament of your deceased father John Whipple made his Exsecutor, And wee y^{e} towne Councill of y^{e} said towne of Providence haveing prooved the said will, the which said will beareth date the Eight day of May in y^{e} yeare one Thousand six hundred Eighty twoo, These are therefore | fully | to impower you the said Joseph whipple to Administer upon the Estate of your said deceased father & to Execute & performe his said will in all perticulars as in y^{e} said will is Exprest according to y^{e} true meaneing & intent thereof, Jn wittnesse whereof wee doe here unto sett our hands at our Councill Meeteing, May y^{e} 27th: in y^{e} yeare 1685:

Arthur ffenner Asistant
Joseph Jenckes Assistn:
Edward Smith
Thomas Harris, junior
Thomas Arnold
Joseph Williams
Eliezer Arnold
Thomas Olney

The meeting is desolved

The Record of John whipple senior his last will & [ ]estaint:

[**80**] Be it knowne unto all persons whome this may Concerne, That I John whipple of the towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & providence plantations in new England, senior, being in a great measure of health & in perfect memory; vpon Consideration of Mortallitye, not knowing the day of my death, And haveing many Children, & to prevent all diferences that other wayes may here after arise among them Concerning my worldly Estate doe see Cause to Make my will, & doe hereby despose of all my Estate in this world, And doe make this my last will & testament; I haveing formerly given unto three of my Sons all my lands [all my lands] & Meadowes at Loquasqussuck, Namely Samuell, Eliazer, & William Equally to be devided among them three Only Excepting Thirty acres which I gave unto my son John at y^e^ Norwest End.

I Give unto my three afore Named sons namely Samuell Eliazer & William Each of them a quarter part of one Right of Comoning for pastureing Cutting of timber & firewood.

I give unto my son Benjamin a Right of lands in y^e^ late devision which is already layd out.

I Give unto my son david a Right of lands in y^e^ late devision which is already layd out unto him.

I Give unto my son Jonathan Twenty five acres one which he now dwelleth. Also I Give unto my son Jonathan one devision of landes which is ordred by y^e^ towne to be layd out betweene the seven mile line & y^e^ foure mile line & papers already drawne for: /

I give unto my Son Joseph my dwelling house & my three home lotts & y^e^ Garden next y^e^ River, Also a six acre Lott

lieing on y^e^ Southerne side of y^e^ Neck where upon y^e^ towne of Providence standeth; Also Twenty acres neere Thomas Clemence his dwelling; Also I give unto my son Joseph my share of Meadow neere Solletarey Hill & two six acre Lotts lieing on Each side of y^e^ said hill; Also a five acre lott lieing neere where william Wickenden formerly dwelt; Also one devision beyond the seven Mile line which is already ordred by y^e^ towne & papers drawne for: Also I doe give unto my son Joseph all other devisions which shall hereafter belong unto two Rights throughout.

I give unto my sons namely John, Samuell, Eliazer, William, Benjamin, David & Jonathan unto these seven Twelve pence to Every of them. /

[**81**] I Give unto my three daughters (Namely) Sarah, Mary & Abigall unto Every of them Tenn shillings. /

I Give unto my son Joseph all My Right of lands in y^e^ Narragansett Countrey. /

I Give unto My son Joseph all My Mooveable goods of what sort so Ever, and all my Cattell & all my tooles; Also I doe make my son Joseph my Exsecutor; Also my will is that my son Joseph doe see that I be decently Buried. This being the reall Absolute Will & testament of me y^e^ said John whipple sen^r^: as abovesaid I doe here unto sette my hand & seale this Eight day of May in y^e^ yeare one thousand Six hundred Eighty two

wittnes my hand — John Whipple Senior

Signed & Sealed in y^e^
presence of us
Thomas Arnold
John Arnold
Shadrach Manton. /

Thomas Arnold & John Arnold y^e^ 27^th^ day of May in y^e^ yeare 1685 did upon theire Sollemne Engagements declar|e| y^t^ they are wittnesses unto y^e^ abovesd will & as theire names are there written they doe owne it to be theire hands.

Taken in Councill before us Arthur ffenner Asistant, Joseph Jenckes Assistant. /

Shadrach Manton y^e^ 27^th^ of may in y^e^ yeare 1685 did in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Majestrats & Rest of y^e^ Councill full & freely declare that hee is a wittnes unto y^e^ abovesaid will & that hee with his owne hand wrott his name thereunto,

As Attests Arthur ffenner Assistant. /

Joseph whipple did upon y^e^ 27^th^ of may in the yeare 1685 in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill as he is Exsecutor to y^e^ Testator upon his sollemne Engagement testefie & declare that this is the last will & testament of his deceased ffather as Ever was yett perfected as he knoweth of, & that he when he made it was of sound mind & of good Memorey.

Taken before us, Arthur ffenner Assistant;

Joseph Jenckes Assistant.

On the back side of y^e^ said will it is Endorssed as followeth. /

Tho: olneys Teste-mony

Thomas Olney Towne Clarke of Providenc|e| in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England Aged 53 yeares or theire abouts testefieth.

That upon y^e^ sixteenth day of this instant may John whipple senior of the aforesaid towne of Providence sent for to speake with him; This deponant sayth he Emediatly went to him: the said John whipple then shewed him this paper & the writeing which on y^e^ other side of this said paper is written, desirein[ ]

[**82**] desireing this deponant to peruse it. This deponant saith he then did peruse it, & haveing well perused it. he asked the said John whipple what his mind was concerning y^e^ lands which in y^e^ said writeing he had desposed | of | to his severall sons, whether or no he did intend by that writeing, or will that y^e^ said lands should be unto his said sons & theire Heirs & Assignes for Ever, or only unto his said sons for terme of life, he Emediatly made this Answer; That how Ever it was worded in y^e^ said writeing yet his mind & will was that his sons Each one of them should have those lands house & Rights which hee in y^e^ said writeing unto Each one of them had desposed, to be unto them, theire Heirs & Assignes for Ever to despose y^e^ same or any part thereof at any time as they | see cause. | & that y^e^ same was his Mind & Will when y^e^ said will was written: And further, that whereas in y^e^ said Will it was omitted to be inserted that his son Jonathan should have one of his Rights of land & Comoning on y^e^ west side of y^e^ seven mile line, yet that was his mind & will; That his son Jonathan whipple should have one of his Rights of land & Comoning on y^e^ west side of y^e^ seven mile line to be unto him his Heirs & Assignes for Ever; and that was his mind when y^e^ said will was written, how Ever by y^e^ scribe it was omitted. And whereas in y^e^ first part of y^e^ said Will there is an Exception made only of thirty acres of land to his son John by him formerly given, that he owned to be a mistake, & that y^e^ Exception must be of sixty acres which formerly by deede of Gift he had given to his son John whipple; and all the remainder of his said farme lieing about Loquasqussuck should be devided Equally betweene his said three sons (viz) Samuell, Eliezer, & william; This saith this deponant is trueth, & that hee tooke

it Emediatly from y^e^ said John whipple his mouth & wrott it downe. And also that whereas the said Will Expresseth a quarter part of a Right of Comoning to Each of his three sons, (namely) Samuell, Eliezer & william, he said his Meaneing intent & will was that it should be so farr westward as y^e^ Seven mile line & no further; And that the said John whipple was then when hee did declare the Same of Sound mind & of Good memory may [**83**] May y^e^ 27^th^: 1685 upon Oath Taken before us

Arthur ffenner Assistant
Joseph Jenckes Assistant

The Will on the other side of this paper written was at our Councill Meeteing May y^e^ 27^th^: 1685; by us the towne Councill of Providence Examined, & is by us y^e^ said Towne Councill aprooved wittnes our hands

Arthur ffenner Assistant
Joseph Jenckes Assistant
Edward Smith
Thomas Harris
Joseph Williams
Thomas Arnold
Eliezer Arnold
Thomas Olney

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of John Whipple senior of y^e^ towne of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England Now deceased, Taken & made May the 22^nd^: 1685:

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	lb	s	d
Jn y^e^ Dwelling house, in y^e^ lower roome weareing apparill	02	00	00

Jt	7 pewter platters	01–07–00
Jt	2 Basons & i old peuter quart pot	00–06–00
Jt	5 peuter porengers	00–03–00
Jt	an old pewter Candle stick an old Tanker pint pot	00–01–06
Jt	A halfe pint pot & a jill pot	00–02–00
Jt	An old pewter beere boule, & an old salt seller, & an old bason	00–03–06
Jt	3 old spoones	00–00–06
Jt	A brasse ladle & a brasse skimmer	00–05–00
Jt	2 old brasse skilletts & an old decayed warmeing pann	00–03–00
Jt	i great brasse Kittle	01–10–00
Jt	3 Glasse bottls	00–01–06
Jt	i Jron pott & pot hookes	00–08–00
Jt	2 small Tramills	00–03–06
Jt	i paire of Tongs	00–01–08
Jt	i long hand Gunn y^{e} lock naught	00–14–00
Jt	2 wooden boules, i peck a small pigin, a cheese fat, a water paile 1 Runlett, a butter box & a littele tray & one small pigin	00–06–04
[84] Jt	i fryeing pann	00–03–00
Jt	3 wooden dishes & 8 trenchers	00–01–00
Jt	i Butter tubb	00–02–00
Jt	i side of lether	00–08–00
Jt	about 20^{lb} of tobaco in leafe	00–03–04
Jt	about 12^{lb} of Tallow	00–04–00
Tooles 4 plaines, Jrons & stocks Old		00–03–00
Jt	An old broad Axe, an old narrow axe an old Ads, & an old hattchett	00–07–00

Jt	3 Chizells, i Gouge	00–01–04
Jt	2 Augers & a Rye bitt	00–02–00
Jt	2 bench hookes 2 hand sawes a drawing knife & an Jron square	00–05–00
Jt	i old Curtlase	00–05–00
Jt	A Cubbard presse	01–00–00
Jt	An old Bed Stud & a bed Cord	00–04–00
Jt	3 old Curtains & a valian	00–10–00
Jt	An old Rotten fether bed about 12 pound of old fethers in it	00–06–00
Jt	A joynt worke Chest	00–08–00
Jt	An old bottle Case & a Box	00–05–00
		12–14–02
Jt	i joyner worke Chaire	00–03–00
Jt	3 Chaires & a salt Box.	00–01–04
Jt	i Spitt at John whipples house	00–01–00
	i Tennant saw at John wilkensons, it being broake	00–01–00
Jt	A wooden dish	00–00–04
	Jn y^{e} Chamber	
Jt	i fether bed & bolster	01–10–00
Jt	i old fether bed & bolster, the bed few fethers in it & the ticking very old	00–10–00
Jt	i old whiteish Rugg Cotten & an old torne sheete	00–08–00
Jt	A part of a bed studd & a bed cord	00–02–00
Jt	A silke grasse pillow & pillow Case	00–03–00
Jt	A greene Rugg	01–00–00
Jt	An old Red Cover lidd & an old bed blankett both much torne	00–02–00
Jt	2 bed blanketts	00–08–00

Jt	i old Carpett	00–03–00
Jt	i shirt, an old pillow Case & 2 neck cloathes	00–04–00
Jt	3 sheets	00–15–00
Jt	i Court Cubbard & a broken box	00–10–00
Jt	i old box	00–01–00
Jt	An old bagg & halfe a bushell of Rye	00–01–06
Jt	Jron strikes for a ℔ of wheeles	01–00–00
Jt	An old broken Cart Rope old & Rotten	00–oi–00
Jt	An old Chamber pott	00–oi–00
Jt	An old paire of broken And Jrons	00–01–00
Jt	3 broken joynt stooles 3 old barrils & a sifting trough & other old lumber wooden	00–03–00
Jt	An old whipp saw	00–05–00
Jt	old peeces of Refuse Jrons	00–01–00
Jt	Jn y^{e} Cribb abroad about 6 bushell of Corne in y^{e} Eares	00–12–00
abroad	An old Rotten Cart & wheeles & hoopes	00–12–00
[**85**] Jt	An old Plough sharr & Coulter	00–04–00
Jt	i old Narrow hoe	00–00–08
Jt	i Clevice & pinn	00–01–06
Cattell	i yoake of oxen	06–00–00
Jt	2 Cowes	04–00–00
Jt	2 Calves	00–14–00
Jt	A Cupple of yeare old beasts	02–00–00
Jt	A Cupple of 2 yeare old beasts	02–10–00
Jt	A 3 yeare old steere	02–05–00
Jt	3 swine: 2 small ones & a bigger	00–16–00
		28–10–04
Jt	i small Grind stone	00–01–00

Jt	i ℔ of old Bellowes	00–00–04
Jt	i hide at Jonathan whipples	00–05–00
Jt	i steere hide at Jonathan whipples	00–05–00
		00–11–04
	The sum totall of this inventarey (if no Mistake in casting up) amounts to	41–11–10

Taken & Made y^e^ day & yeare abovesaid by us

The mark of X Joseph whipple
Thomas Harris sen^r^
Thomas Olney

post script

Jt i old broad axe at m^r^: Jencks his house 00–03–00

Thomas Harris sen^r^ & Thomas Olney y^e^ 27^th^ of May 1685 upon theire solem|ne| Engagem^ts^ attest to y^e^ aforesaid Jnventarey,

Taken in Councill before us Arthur ffenner Assistant
Joseph Jenckes Assistant. /

Joseph whiple Exsecutor unto the deceased John whipple doth upon his Solemne Engagement testefie That in y^e^ said Jnventarey is Contained all y^e^ Mooveable Estate of his said deceased father as hee knowes of, & if more at any time Come to knowledge it shall be added,

Taken in Councill before us

Arthur fenner Assisstant
Joseph Jenkes Assistant

Be it knowne unto all people by these presents that I Joseph whiple of y^e^ towne of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England, doe owne & acknowledg myselfe to stand truely & lawfully indebted unto y^e^ towne Councill of Providence aforesaid the full & just sum

of Ninty poundes sterling at all times payable upon demaunds To the due performance whereof I doe by these presents bynd myselfe, my [**86**] my Heirs Exsecutors & Administrators, & for defect thereof it shall be levied upon my landes goodes Chattels & Cattell

The Conditions.

of this Obligation is such; That if I the above bounden Joseph whipple as I am Exsecutor to my deceased father John whipple by his last will and testament beareing date y^e^ Eight day of May in y^e^ yeare one Thousand six hundred Eighty two, Doe duely & truely Execute & performe y^e^ said will in all perticulars as is therein Exprest, Then shall this bond be voyd & of none Efect; But if otherwise, it shall stand in full force & vertue: Jn witnes whereof I doe hereunto set my hand & seale the 27^th^: day of May in y^e^ yeare 1685.

the marke of Joseph

may y^e^ 27^th^: 1685: X whipple

Taken in Councill as Attests,

Tho: Olney

Towne Clarke

At A Meteing of y^e^ Councill October y^e^ i^st^: 1685:

This day Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter Exhibeted theire deceased father william Carpenter his will & testament beareing date y^e^ 10^th^ day of februarey 1679: or 80: desireing the Councills probation thereof.

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased william Carpenter hath by Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter benn also this day Exhibeted to y^e^ Councill,

This day the aforesaid will of y^e^ said William Carpenter (deceased) was by y^e^ Councill Examined & prooved. /

The meeteing is Adjorned unto the 8th of this instant October ye 8th: 1685: the Councill is againe mett, by adjorment from ye 1st instant: /

This day Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter Exsecutors unto theire deceased ffather william Carpenter of Pautuxett in ye towneship of providence in ye Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England have given in joyntly [**87**] & severally forty & foure | pounds | sterling bond unto the towne Councill of Providence for the true performance of theire said deceased father william Carpenter his last will & testament beareing date ye 10th day of ffebruarey 1679: or 80.

A Coppye whereof is as followeth.

Be it knowne unto all people by these presents That wee Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter of Pautuxett in ye Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England, & in ye towneshipp of Providence, & Exsecutors to our late deceased father william Carpenter of Pautuxett aforesaid, Doe owne & acknowledg ourselves, joyntly & severally to stand truely & lawfully indebted unto the towne Councill of Providence in ye Colloney aforesaid in ye full & just sum of forty & foure pounds sterling unto them & to Every of theire sucessors, & to be levied upon our lands goods, & Chattells & Cattle.

To ye due & true performance thereof wee doe by these presents joyntly & severally firmely bynd ourselves our Heirs, & Every of our Heirs, Exsecutors & Administrators.

The Conditions of this Obligation is such, That if wee ye above bounden Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter, doe fully, Well & truelly Execute & performe ye last will & testament of our deceased father William Carpenter beareing date

y^e^ tenth day of ffebruarey one thousand Six hundred Seventy & Nine, or Eighty & the same in all Respects to fullfill according to y^e^ true meaneing there of, Then shall this Obligation be voyd & of none Efect, But if otherwise, it shall against us, & Every of us, ou Heirs, & Every of our Heirs Exsecutors & Administrators stand in full force & vertue — Jn wittnes whereof wee doe here unto sett our hands & seales y^e^ Eight day of October in the yeare 1685.

Silas Carpenter

[88] Benjamin Carpenter

Signed & Sealed in the presence of y^e^ Councill at theire Meeteing October y^e^ Eight 1685

Before me

Richard Arnold Assistant. /

Vppon y^e^ recept of y^e^ sayd Bond the Councill granted forth a letter of Administration unto y^e^ said Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter to Administer upon y^e^ Estate of theire deceased ffather william Carpenter. A Coppye whereof, is as ffolloweth. /

Whereas you Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter of Pautuxet in y^e^ towneshipp of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England was by y^e^ last will & testament of your deceased ffather william Carpenter (of said Pautuxett in y^e^ Colloney aforesaid) beareing date y^e^ tenth day of ffebruarey One thousand six hundred, seventy & nine, or Eighty, Made & appoynted his whole & Sole Exsecutors, & you haveing given in bond to y^e^ towne Councill of the aforesaid towne of Providence for y^e^ full & true performance of your

sayd deceased ffather his said will & testament: Wee y^e^ said towne Councill of said towne of Providence Doe therefore (so farr forth as the law requireth us, & doth impower us to doe) fully & absolutely impower you Silas Carpenter, & Benjamin Carpenter aforesayd to Administer upon y^e^ Estate of your sayd deceased ffather william Carpenter, & to Execute & performe his sayd last will & testament in all respects & perticulars according to y^e^ true meaneing & intent thereof, Jn wittnes whereof wee doe here unto sett our hands at our Councill Meeteing October y^e^ Eight day in y^e^ yeare one thousand six hundred Eighty & five.

Tho: Olney Joseph williams Richard Arnold, Assist:
Thomas Arnold Edward Smith

The meeteing is ended

[**89**] To all people before whome these presents shall come, William Carpenter of Pautuxett in y^e^ towneshipp of Providence, in his Majestyes Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England in America, being in bodyly health & in sound & perfect Memory (blessed God) and not knowing how soone y^e^ only wise God may despose of me to death: And being willing to sett my Earthly Estate in order to prevent future troubles y^t^ may arise after my decease; Doe Ordaine this to be my last Will & Testament, in forme & maner as followeth.

first My will is that all y^e^ debts oweing by me at my decease be truely payd. /

2 Jtem I give unto my Eldest son Joseph Carpenter twenty shillings in merchantable pay of this Colloney to be payd by my Execut^r^, after my decease.

3 Jtem I give to my Daughter Liddea Smith twenty shillings in merchantable pay of this Colloney to be payd by My Execu[tors] after my decease.

4 Jtem I give to my daughter Prescilla Vinsent twenty shillings in merchantable pay of | this | Colloney to be payd by My Execu[tors] after my decease.

5 Jtem I give & bequeath, unto my two sons Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter & theire Heirs all my Right Title & intrest in the Neck Called Pautuxett Neck with all my Right, Title & intrest in that place Called the vinyard for Ever to be Equally devided betweene them two & theire Heirs, or as they shall otherwayes agree to part the same.

6 Jtem I doe give unto my son Timothy Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever all my Right Title & Jntrest in & to that tract of upland & meadow lieing on y[e] west side of saxefrax Cove, the which I bought of thomas Olney of the towne of Providence with all y[e] appurtenance[ ] thereto belonging.

7 Jtem I doe give unto my aforesaid son Timothy and his Heirs for Ever the one halfe of that share of meadow I bought of M[r] Richard Parker of Boston lieing upon y[e] brooke Called Mashapauge brooke, and my sayd son Timothy to have his part at y[e] lower End of y[e] sayd Meadow.

8 Jtem I doe also give unto my aforsaid son Timothy & [ ]eirs for Ever all that percell of upland [**90**] lieing & adjoyneing together, on which sd land y[e] now dwelling house of y[e] sayd Timothy standeth: As also the meadow adjoyneing to y[e] sayd upland so farr as the south End of y[e] Meadow Called the Midle Meadow with all appurtenances thereto. And my will is that my two sons Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter & theire Heirs shall have a suficient high way at all times to passe & repasse to y[e] other part of y[e] said Meadow.

9 Jtem I doe give to my son Epraim Carpenter dureing y^e^ time of his Naturall life, the one halfe of that halfe (yet remaineing, not given to my aforesaid son Timothy) of y^e^ Meadow bought of y^e^ aforesaid Parker lieing upon y^e^ aforsayd Mashapaug|e| brooke, And after y^e^ decease of my aforesayd son Ephraim to revert & be y^e^ Right of My Grand Son & his Heirs for Ever; that is to say Ephraim Carpenter y^e^ Eldest son of My aforesayd son Ephraim Carpenter by his first wife.

10 Jtem I give unto my daughter Priscilla Vinsent & her Heirs the other part or halfe of that halfe share of meadow bought of y^e^ aforesayd Parker lieing upon y^e^ aforsd Mashapauge brooke, not before to my sd sons Timothy & Ephraim hereby desposed of.

ii Jtem I doe give unto my son Ephraim Carpenter & his Heirs, And to my daughter Priscilla Vinsent & her heirs for Ever all my Right, Title & intrest in & to that Cove lieing neere y^e^ place Called y^e^ landing place, (in pautuxett) the which Cove I bought of Thomas Angell of Providence; The sayd Cove to be Equally devided betwixt them in quantitye & quallitye. /

12 Jtem I give & bequeath unto my two sons Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter & theire Heirs for Ever all y^e^ rest of y^e^ Meaddow now within y^e^ fence from y^e^ south End of y^e^ aforsaid Midle Meadow southward, Also all such swampy low land as will make meadow adjoyneing to y^e^ sayd meadow to be Equaly devided betwixt these my two sons, or as they shall agree about it:

13 Jtem I give to my two sons aforesaid Silas & Benjamin & theire Heirs for Ever my owne share of meadow lyeing upon the aforesd mashpaug[ ]oke [**91**] As also that part of a

share of Meadow that I bought of my brother Stephen Arnold lieing upon y^e^ aforesayd brooke to be Equal[ ] devided, or as those my two sons Silas & Benjamin shall agree :

14 Jtem I give unto these my aforesayd two sons Silas & Benjamin all my Right Title & Jntrest of lands & meadows now within fence whereon theire dwelling house now standeth, with all y^e^ fenceing & fruit trees thereon & appurtenances thereto belonging to be to them & their|e| Heirs for Ever, to be Equally devided betwixt them, or as they two shall agree.

15 Jtem I give unto my three sons Timothy, Silas & Benjamin Carpenter & theire Heirs for Ever all my Right or Rights of lands to me belonging yet undevided lieing & being on y^e^ East side of Pauchasett River & y^e^ salt water home to y^e^ devideing line betwixt Providenc|e| & Pautuxett, & y^e^ same to be Equally devided betwixt my aforesd three sons Only my will is that my son Timothy shall have that part that falleth by devision next unto y^e^ aforesayd devideing line betwixt Providence and Pautuxett.

16 Jtem I give unto my Grandson Ephraim Carpenter, y^e^ Eldest son of my afore said son Ephraim & his Heirs for Ever, all my Right & title in & to a percell of land adjoyneing to y^e^ aforesayd devideing line & on y^e^ North side of y^e^ sayd line ; it lieing betwixt Mashapauge pond & spectickle pond ; bounded on the north with a hill, ffurther my will is that my Grandson Ephraim shall at y^e^ age of one & twenty years Enter & be in possession of y^e^ same.

17 Jtem I also give unto my aforesd Grandson Ephraim Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever twenty acrs of upland, the south part of y^e^ said land adjoyneing to the aforesd devideing line of Pautuxett, bounding on y^e^ west with y^e^ sayd spectickle

pond, & on y^e^ north with a percell of meaddow sayd to be in y^e^ possession of Abraham Man of sayd Providence, & to Enter & be in possession of y^e^ same at y^e^ age of one and twenty yeares.

18 Jtem I give unto my three sons Timothy, Silas, & Benjamin Carpenter & theire Heirs for Ever all my Right title & Jntrest in & to all those lands meadows & Comoning to me belonging [**92**] in y^e^ sd towne of Providence, both devided & undevided on y^e^ East side of y^e^ seven mile line set by order of y^e^ aforsd towne, not hereby or by any other Jnstrument before desposed of, with all y^e^ appurtenances thereof to be Equally devided.

19 Jtem I give to my son Timothy Carpenter and his heirs for Ever, all that Right of Comoning that I bought of Robert Coles with all appurtenances to it belonging.

20 Jtem I give to my son Silas Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever my owne Right of Comon in y^e^ aforesd towne with all y^e^ appurtenances thereto belonging.

21 Jtem I give to my son Benjamin Carpenter & his heirs for Ever all that Right of Comoning with all y^e^ appurtenances in y^e^ sayd towne, that Right of Henry Neale formerly of y^e^ sayd towne of Providence.

22 Jtem These Comons are on y^e^ East side of y^e^ sd seven mile line.

23 Jtem I give unto my son Timothy Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever all that Right of lands meadowes & Comoning in y^e^ towne of Providence to me belonging in y^e^ towne of Providence lieing on y^e^ west side of y^e^ seven mile line ariseing to me by vertue of that Right I bought of Robert Coles of y^e^ sayd towne.

24 Jtem I give unto my son Silas Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever all that Right of lands meadowes & Comoning to me belonging in y^e^ aforesd towne lieing on y^e^ west side of y^e^ seven mile line ariseing to me by vertue of that Right that I bought of Roger Mawry of y^e^ sd towne deceased.

25 Jtem I give unto my son Benjamin Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever all that Right of lands meadowes & Comoning to me belonging in y^e^ sayd towne lieing on the west side of y^e^ seven mile line ariseing to me by vertue of that Right I bought of Roger Mawrey formerly of y^e^ sayd towne.

26 Jtem I give unto my Grandson william Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever all that Right of lands meadowes and Comoning to me belonging in sd providence lieing on y^e^ west side [**93**] of y^e^ seven mile line ariseing to me by vertue of that Right that I bought of John Smith (Mason) of y^e^ sd providence.

27 Jtem I give unto my grandson Joseph Smith son of my daughter Liddea) & his Heirs all that Right of lands Meadowes & Comoning in sd providence to me belonging on y^e^ west side of y^e^ seven mile line. ariseing to me by vertue of that Right of Robert Colwell of | the | said towne.

28 Jtem I give unto my Grandson Ephraim Carpenter & his heirs, all that Right of lands meadowes & Comoning to me belonging on the west side of y^e^ seven mile line ariseing to me by vertue of my owne Right in sayd towne; the which Right was formerly Recorded to my son william deceased in sd towne.

29 Jtem I give & bequeath unto my three sons Timothy Carpenter, | & | Silas Carpenter & benjamin Carpenter & theire heirs for Ever two thirds of all my Right, or Rights to

me belonging in all y^e^ lands & meadowes on the west side of Pauchassett River betwix|t| Pautuxett River & the devideing line, part thereof Runn, & par to be Runn to be Equally devided amongst my three sons. Excepting, my will is, that these my aforesd three sons shall in some Convenient place set out to my aforesayd Grandson Ephraim Carpenter out of theire two thirds one hundred acres of land to be to him & his Heirs for Ever; y^e^ sayd hundred acres of land to be part thereof Meadow proportionably to Each hundred acres Contained in y^e^ aforesd two thirds & y^e^ sayd hundred acres to ly together. /

30 Jtem I give to my two sons Joseph Carpenter & Ephraim Carpenter, And to my daughters Liddea Smith & Priscilla vinsent & theire heirs for Ever the other third part of all my Right or Rights to me belonging on y^e^ west side of y^e^ sayd Pauchasett River, & betwixt Pautuxett River & y^e^ aforesaid line to be Equally devided amongs these my two sons & my two daughters.

31 Jtem I give unto | my two sons | Silas & Benjamin Carpenter all my Carts, Ploughs, & all tacklin[ ] to them or any of them belonging [**94**] Except one draught Chaine I give to my son Timothy Carpent^r^: As also all other Tooles of what sort so ever I give to my two aforesaid sons Silas & Benjamin & theire heirs Equally. /

32 Jtem I Give unto Elizabeth my deare & loveing wife in Consideration of all her demand in y^e^ law, to be at her owne sole despose all my weareing apparrill of what sort so Ever & all y^e^ rest of my Mooveable Estate what so Ever not hereby before desposed of: And further my will is, That my two sons Silas & Benjamin take y^e^ whole & sole Care of Elizabeth my loveing wife theire mother to provide for her in all Respects &

Conditions as a woman ought to be provided for duering her naturall life & to see her body descently Buryed.

33; And ffurther my will is that my two sons, Silas Carpenter & Benjamin Carpenter be my whole & sole Exsecutors to pay all y^e^ debts owing by me at my decease & to receive in all debts owing to me & to see my Body descently Buryed; And to see this my will truely performed in all Respects to y^e^ true meaneing thereof.

34 And ffurther my will is, That if my Grand child Ephraim Carpenter y^e^ Eldest son of my aforesd son Ephraim, if he shall decease before y^e^ age of one & twenty yeares, Then what before given to my aforesd Grand child shall revert & be y^e^ Right of his sister Susanna Carpenter & her Heirs for Ever.

35 And ffurther my will is That y^e^ Jntrest herein given to my Grand child Joseph Smith y^e^ son of my daughter Liddea shall revert & be y^e^ Right of his Brother Simon Smith & his heirs for Ever. Jn Case my Grand child Joseph Smith shall decease this life before y^e^ age of one and twenty yeares. Jn wittnesse whereof I doe here unto sett [**95**] my hand & seale this tenth day of ffebruarey one thousand six hundred seventy & nine, or Eighty & the thirty second yeare of his majestyes Reigne Charles the Second Etc^tr^:

Signed & Sealed in y^e^ presence of us

John whipple
Andrew Harris
Rebekah whipple

William Carpenter

This beforesd last will of William Carpenter of Pautuxett was signed sealed & witt-

Memorandum the word Right, the word or name Roger mawrey; And the word or name Ephraim were interlined before the signeing & sealeing of these

nessed y^e^ yeare & day beforesaid before me

John whipple, Assistant. /

October y^e^ first 1685:

Andrew Harris & Rebekah whipple upon Engagement testefied as wittnesses to y^e^ abovesaid will in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill Before me

Joseph Jenckes, Assist:

presents. And my son Ephraim Carpenter shall have twenty shillings payd him by my Executors as y^e^ rest of my other sons & daughters have by these will given them wittnes my hand and seale y^e^ day & yeare before sayd.

william Carpenter

Be it knowne unto all persons by these presents, That whereas I william Carpenter of Pautuxett in y^e^ towneshipp of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & providence plantations in New England, in America, have made & declared my last will & testam^t^: beareing date y^e^ tenth day of ffebruarey one thousand six hundred seventy & nine (or Eighty,). I the sayd william Carpenter by this present Codicill doe Rattifie & Confirme my sayd last will & testamen^t^ Excepting that part, or parts thereof as upon my Mature Consideration I shal[ ] herein despose & bequeath other wayes, then therein mentioned, & makeing them perticulars by this Codicill utterly voyd & null to all intents; And for this Reason in Cheife, That I understand that my son Ephraim Carpenter talketh, or intendeth to sell those lands (or some of them) to him bequeathed & willed; Therefore | I | will & order as followeth.

Jtem I doe give & bequeath unto my Grand son Ephraim Carpenter, y^e^ Eldest son of my son Ephraim Carpenter that part of the Cove given to my aforesd son Ephraim in y^e^ Eleventh part of my will or bequest, makeing it wholy voyd to

my | sd | son Ephraim Carpenter & to be the only proper Right of my [**96**] Grand son Ephraim Carpenter & his Heirs for Ever, & to be devided to my Grand son Ephraim as | in | y^e^ sayd Eleventh part of my sayd will mentioned.

Jtem I doe give & bequeath unto my aforesd Grand son Ephraim Carpenter & to my grand daughter Susanna Carpenter & theire Heirs for Ever to be Equally devided betwixt them two; all that part of lands being on y^e^ west side of Pauchasett River; given & bequeathed to my aforesd son Ephraim Carpenter in y^e^ thirtyeth part or bequest in my will beforesd, And doe wholy Make null & voyd y^e^ sayd bequest in y^t^ part as to my son Ephraim Carpenter; & to remaine good to the Rest in that bequest.

Jtem I doe order & declare that gift & bequest given & willed unto my aforesd Grandson Ephraim Carpenter in y^e^ twenty ninth part of my will or bequest to be wholy Null & Voyd, And that part to be devideable amongst my three sons Timothy Carpenter, Silas Carpenter, & Benjamin Carpenter, and theire Heirs.

Jtem. I doe order will & declare that the Gift, or bequest willed & given unto my son Joseph Carpenter upon y^e^ west side of y^e^ aforesd Pauchasett River shall be wholy null & voyd to all intents as to my sayd son, he deceaseing before my death & not being in possession thereof, And doe will bequeath & declare that part as aforesd given to my sayd son Joseph Carpenter on y^e^ west side of y^e^ aforesayd River unto my Grand son Joseph Carpenter & his heirs for Ever, the which bequest is mentioned in y^e^ thirtyeth part or bequest in my will or bequest therein, mentioned. And my will & meaneing is that this Codicill or shedule be, & be adjudged to be part & percell of my sayd last will & testament. / And that all things

herein Contained & mentioned be faithfully | & truely | performed & as fully & amply in Every Respect as if y^e^ same were so declared & sett downe in my said last will & testament, Jn wittnesse whereof I the sayd william Carpenter have hereunto sett my hand & seale, [**97**] This fifteenth day of March one thousand six hundred & Eighty three, or Eighty foure & thirty sixt yeare of his Majestyes Reigne Charles y^e^ second &ct^r^.

Signed & Sealed in y^e^ presence of us

Andrew Harris william Carpenter

John whipple jun^r^:

The first day of October 1685 at a meeteing of y^e^ towne Councill of Providence in y^e^ Colony of Rhode Jsland & providence plantations &c|tr| John whipple & Andrew Harris in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill upon theire sollemne Engagements owned themselves witnesses to y^e^ abovesd Codicill;

Before me Joseph Jenckes Assistant

The afore written will of y^e^ deceased william Carpenter Contayneing five pages, & also y^e^ Codecill, or shedule written on y^e^ other side of this leafe & part on this side are both at our Councill meeteing October y^e^ first 1685 Eamined & approoved by us the towne Councill of Providence wittnesse our hands,

Joseph Jenckes Asis^t^:

Richard Arnold Asistan^t^:

Edward Smith

Thomas Arnold

Joseph williams

Eliezer Arnold.

Thomas Olney. /

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of william Carpenter of Pautuxett in y^e^ towneshipp of Providence, deceased, in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in New England is as followeth. /

		lb	s	d
Jmprimis	one Cloake	02	00	00
Jt	one loose Coate & one straite bodyed Coate	00	06	00
Jt	Twoo loose bodyed Coates	01	00	00
Jt	Two loose bodyed Coats neere worne out	00	03	00
Jt	foure west coats two much worne	00	12	00
Jt	Two paire of Trowsers	00	08	00
Jt	Two paire of old woolen drawers	00	02	00
Jt	one payre of old Trowsers	00	01	00
Jt	one black Caster hatt something worne	00	06	00
Jt	Two old hatts, & one old cloath Capp	00	01	00
Jt	Three shirts	00	12	00
Jt	Two very old shirts	00	01	06
Jt	Two paire of stockins & one paire of shooes	00	05	00
Jt	five night Capps & two Bands	00	03	00
Jt	Two old silke neck cloath	00	01	00
Jt	One fether bed, two bolsters, two paire of sheets two blanketts, one blue Rugg & y^e^ bed sted	06	00	00
Jt	To kash to witt new England silver	04	02	06
Jt	To one peece of Gold a tenn shilling peece	00	10	00
Jt	one cart & old wheeles & boxes & hoopes thereto, & two old shares & Coulters & old plough	01	10	06
Jt	one logg chaine & foure draught chaines	01	00	00
Jt	the Chaine & whats belongs to it	00	04	00
Jt	two old axes, narrow ones, one old broad Axe	00	06	00
	[98]	lb	s	d
Jt	one cross cut saw & two tenant sawes	00	08	00

Jt	Two hand sawes, tho old, three clevises & two pinns	00–05–06
Jt	one sledge & one Jron crow	00–07–00
Jt	Tenn Augers, greater & smaler	00–12–00
Jt	Two broad chizells & two narrow ones	00–02–06
Jt	Three plaine Jrons & one wenscutt plough	00–01–06
Jt	Two Gouges; two drawing knives, & old Burr	00–05–06
Jt	one spoke shave, & one Gennett & one adds	00–03–06
	The sum totall Errors Excepted	22–00–00
As to debts oweing by y^e^ testators not any as we can find		00–00–00
As to debts due to y^e^ testator severall,		00–00–00
yet not fully by us knowne, but when further knowne shall be brought to y^e^ Councill		00–00–00

A faire apprisall of y^e^ Estate of william Carpenter of Pautuxett in y^e^ towneshipp of Providence, deceased September y^e^ 7^th^: 1685 of what did appeare to us as on y^e^ other side specified, Taken September y^e^ 30^th^: 1685: as wittnes our hands:

Silas Carpenter and
Benjamin Carpenter
Exsecutors to y^e^ deceased
william Carpenter of
Pautuxett in y^e^ towneshipp

Andrew Harris
John whipple
Silas Carpenter
Benjamin Carpenter

of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence plantations in new England by his last will & testament beareing date y^e^ tenth day of ffebruarey in y^e^ yeare 1679, or 80: upon theire solemne Engagement in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill the first day of October 1685 testefied & declared that what is Contained on the other side of this paper written & on this

page is y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased william Carpenter which he died possessed with, or of, & that it is all & wholy his Mooveable Estate so farr as they any wayes know or understand, And if any other, or more at any time appeare it shall be brought forth & Jnventaryed.

Taken before us
Joseph Jenckes Assist:
Richard Arnold Assistant

John Whipple & Andrew Harris as apprizers to y^e^ aforesayd Jnventarey upon y^e^ first day of October 1685 in y^e^ presence of y^e^ Councill upon theire solemne Engagement did declare that they made a faire apprisall of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased william Carpenter what to them was brough forth to aprize, & know not but it was his whole Mooveable Estate. Taken before us

Joseph Jenckes Assistant
Richard Arnold Assistant. /

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[99] At a Councill meeteing march y^e^ 4^th^: $168\frac{5}{6}$

Captaine Arthur ffenner this day declared to y^e^ Councill That y^e^ Trussehoopes which were in his hands belonging to the Estate of y^e^ deceased John Smith (who was drounded) are passed away to John Thornton, & he, hath discharged y^e^ price of them to John steere on y^e^ account of debt due, from y^e^ sayd Smith his Estate to John Steere, so that y^e^ price of y^e^ sayd hoopes are yett due from y^e^ Estate of y^e^ sayd smith to y^e^ sayd Captaine ffenner. /

At a meeteing of y^e^ towne Councill march y^e^ 22nd: $168\frac{5}{6}$.

Whereas there is a person, one Thomas waters by name, who some time since made Request to our towne for theire

admittance that he might make his Residence amongst them in our towne, Either by buyeing or hireing; but y^e^ towne Refused y^e^ same, & gave no admittance to y^e^ sayd waters; yet not withstanding y^e^ sayd waters hath presumed to Come into our towne, & with him hath brought a woman whome he sayth is his wife, & as he hath manifested intendeth in Our sayd towne to make his aboade; And for as much as y^e^ sayd Thomas waters doth appeare to be a person of Evill ffame & his sayd wife also of no better Report, & they being likely to be troublesome, & may be chargeable to y^e^ towne; The towne being therefore desireous for theire remooveall, & haveing Called upon the Councill for y^e^ same; The Councill haveing Considered y^e^ Matter, & find that he hath made his aboade in y^e^ towne of Greenewitch for more then a yeares space, by which he may there (by law) be counted | an Jnhabetant; |

And whereas y^e^ sayd Thomas waters tendreth not bond for securitye to y^e^ towne to free them from what Charge [**100**] through his meanes may be brought upon y^e^ sayd towne,

Although y^e^ towne Required it of him but he Refused; Therefore according as y^e^ law of our Collony doth declare, The Councill doe see Cause to warne y^e^ sayd Thomas waters that he doe Remoove himselfe & sayd wife & Child, & to depart out of y^e^ bounds & libertyes of our sayd towne before y^e^ 14^th^ day of Aprill nex Ensueing at Sun Sett; And that the sayd Thomas waters is hereby warned by y^e^ Councill to remoove himselfe, & sayd wife & child, & to depart out of y^e^ boundes & libertyes of our sayd towne before y^e^ 14^th^ day of Aprill nex at sun sett. /

The abovesayd Order was this day Read in y^e^ audience of Thomas Waters. /

Whereas Zachary ffield hath this day Exhibetted to y^e^ Councill a writteing which he sayth is his ffather (John ffield deceased) his last will, proposeing to y^e^ Councill concerning probation thereof; But the Exsecutrix nott appeareing to propegate y^e^ same, nor to give in bond, nor no wittnesses appeare to give in testemoney upon y^e^ same And upon Examination of y^e^ sayd writeing it appeareth dubious in it selfe, And also finding that y^e^ legatees have before proceeded to action as to y^e^ Estate therein contained, The Councill doe not at presant see theire way cleare to proceede to a probation there of;

The Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of The deceased John ffield | was | also brought this day before y^e^ Councill, & hath benn by y^e^ Councill so farr taken notice of as that itt is Attested by william Hopkins; Jt as appeares amounts to 34^lb^: 19^s^: 6^d^. /

[**101**] At a meeting of y^e^ Councill July y^e^ 22^nd^: 1686

This day Mary Harris widdow of the deceased Andrew Harris of Pautuxett in this towneship of Providence hath Exhibeted to y^e^ Councill an Jnventarey of her deceased husband Andrew Harris his Estate, & hath Engaged to y^e^ trueth there of.

John whipple & Benjamin Carpenter who made & tooke the sd Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ sd deceased Andrew Harris hath this day upon their Engagem^ts^: before the Councill attested to y^e^ trueth of y^e^ sd Jnventarey.

The Councill have this day Allowed of y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased Andrew Harris

Mary Harris widdow of the deceased Andrew Harris hath this day desired of y^e^ Councill to grant to her Administration upon her said deceased husband Andrew Harris his Estate.

Vpon the Request of Mary Harris Widdow of y^e^ deceased Andrew Harris that Administration might be Comitted to her of her said deceased husbands Estate: The Councill doe signifie that they are willing thereunto; Provided that shee doe provide sufficient su|e|rty by y^e^ 30^th^ day of Agust next, And then to appeare before the Councill to be bound for her. /

And shee in y^e^ meane time to take Care of y^e^ said Estate. /

Thomas Harris hath this day Exhibeted the last will & testament of his deceased ffather Thomas Harris, And also the Jnventarey of his Estate, The sayd will hath this day been by the Councill Examined & Prooved; And the sd Jnventarey Examined & Allowed. /

Jt is ordred that Tho: Olney doe on the behalfe of y^e^ Councill take Bond of Tho: Harris to Execute & performe his ffather Deceased his will;—And upon y^e^ Recpt thereof to give unto him y^e^ sd Tho: Harris inste[ ] of y^e^ Councill a letter of Administration. /

whereas there is a Report Come unto us that Providence williams is dead, & that he died at Newport on Rhode Jsland but nothing Coms to us from any Authority But an Jnventarey of Som of his Estate Coming to our hands (as is said) by y^e^ means of Daniell Williams, But no account given what Authorytye Caused it to be taken. / The matter of further inquirye thereinto is Referred unto our Next Meeting the 30^th^ day of Agust next, if so that Daniell willia[ ] may then be in a Cappacitty to Come to the Councill.

The Meeting is adjorned unto the 30^th^ day of Agust next. /

[**102**] The Councill Meeting is againe in being the 30^th^ of Agust 1686. by adjornm^t^: from y^e^ 22^nd^ of July last. /

Mary Harris widdow of y^e^ deceased Andrew Harris hath this day appeared before y^e^ Councill & tenders bond by M^r^ Henry Tew of Newport to y^e^ Legall performance of Administration upon her sd deceased husband his Estate dureing y^e^ time of her widdowhood, & before Marriage then to give up her account to y^e^ then towne Councill & to them Resine the said Estate, The matter is by y^e^ Councill left with Tho: Olney, & he is by y^e^ Councill Ordred on their behalfe to take y^e^ sd Bond, & signe a letter of Administration to y^e^ said widdow. /

The matter Concerning y^e^ deceased Providence williams his Estate is left to y^e^ Next meeting of y^e^ Councill; And that Daniell williams be then sent for to informe as Concerning his said deceased Brother, the Jnventarey of his Estate. /

John Whipple haveing proposed to the Councill an account of debt demanded by Thomas Clarke of Boston; The Consideration thereof is Referred to the Next Meeting.

The meeting is adjorned unto Tuesday the 14^th^ of September Next. /

September y^e^ 14^th^ on Tuesday: 1686

The meeteing is againe in being by adjornment from Agust y^e^ 30^th^ last. /

Pardon Tillinghast & Daniell Williams hath this day Given Attestation to the Jnventarey of | the deceased | Providence williams his Estate.

Whereas Daniell Williams hath exhibitted an Jnventarey of his deceased Brother Providence williams his Estate unto the Councill of what Estate mooveable in Providence belongeth to his deceased Brother Providence williams, And least the said Estate or any part thereof should Come by Damage, The Councill doe desire & appoynt the said Daniell williams as he

is next of the Kinn to take into his Care & Custody the sd Estate to secure it from damage untill further legall order be taken Concerning it. / The said Daniell williams hath accepted the same. /

Here followeth the Rcord of the last will and Testament of Silas Carpenter who departed this life December the 25 : 1695.

Know all men by these presents that I Silas Carpenter of Pautuxet in the Towneship of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence plantations being in Purfect sence & memory although weake in Body have made my last will & Testament, as followeth ;

ffirst of all I bequeath My soule to God that Gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried by my Executrix & Executors here after named. Jmprimis [**103**] Jmprimis ; I Give & bequeath to my Eldest son Silas Carpenter all my mansion houses lands meadows in Pautuxet on the East side of Pauchassett River, Excepting that Parcell of Meadow marsh & thatch which belongeth to me at Pumganset which is to be disposed of as followeth ;

secondly ; I Give & bequeath to my youngest son William Carpenter all my lands devided & vndevided within the Precincts of Providence together with the aforesaid Meadow Marsh & Thatch at Pumganset.

Jtem I do Give & bequeath to my two sons aforesaid (viz) Silas Carpenter & William Carpenter all that my land on the West side of Pauchasett River, lying within Pautuxet Purchase to be Equally devided betwixt them ; All which | sd | lands houseing meadowes aforesaid I do give & bequeath to my two aforesaid sons william & Silas Carpenter to have & to hold for ever to them & their Heirs.

Jtem I Give & bequeath to my two daughters Phebe Carpenter & Sarah Carpenter Twenty Pounds apiece in mon|e|y or Equivolent to money to be Given | them | at Eightene yeares Old or at their marriage day if it be before: ffurther my Will is, That my Loveing wife Sarah Carpenter shall have the whole dispose of all my Estate untill my Chilldren come of age to Receive their Portions & lands one after another; And afterwards to have a Third part of all my Estate lands Goods & chattells and the best Roome in my house so long as she liveth. Jtem my Will is that my loveing Wife Sarah Carpenter shall be my Executrix, And my Honoured ffather in law Stephen Arnold & Cap^{t}: William Hopkins to be Executors of my Estate:

Memorandum that the word (in Pautuxett) was interlined in the twelfth line before this was signed or sealed: And in Witness of these premisses I have hereunto set my hand & seale this two & twentieth day of December Anno: Domini: one Thousand six hundred ninty five.

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of us
Timothy Carpenter
Benjamin Carpenter
Simon Smith.

mark
the S C of
Silas Carpenter

At a Councell Meeteing Aprill y^{e} 8th: 1701; the above | sd | will hath by the Councell been Examined & approved

This above written will was owned by the Testator, before us the day & yeare above written
Stephen Arnold Assisstant
Benjamin Smith Assistant

Recorded ℔ Tho: Olney, Clerk. ⁄

The Jnventary of the Personall or Moveable Estate of Silas Carpenter of Pautuxet in Providence, who deceased on the 25th day of December; 1695.

2 Oxen	06–00–00
14 Cowes	28–00–00
4, 2 yeare old Cattell	04–10–00
7 yearelings	03–10–00
8 Calves	02–08–00
70 Sheepe, of good & bad	14–00–00
3 Gunns	03–00–00
A Warming Pann	00–08–00
2 Paire of small stilliards	00–14–00
3 Bedds & furniture	14–00–00
5 Mares & a horse	09–00–00
3 young horses or Coults	03–00–00

[**104**] Timothy Carpenter & Stephen Arnold junr: which were the Apprizers of the Personall Estate of Silas Carpenter deceased; vpon their solemne Engagement did afirme that the Jnventary on the other side of this paper is of all the foresa Estate that came to our sight or knowledge, and truely apprized according to our descression & vnderstanding. /

Taken upon Engagement the one & thirtieth day of December 1695, before me Stephen Arnold Assistant:

The Jnventarey on the other side of this Paper written hath this day been Examined & oath by the Executrix made thereon; whereupon the Councell see no Cause to object.

This Jnventary was Examined by the Councell at their Meeteing Aprill the 8th: 1701.

Recorded ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

This is an addition to the Jnventary of the Estate of Silas Carpenter deceased, of debts & other things that were not devided betwene him & his Brother Benjamin at the first apprisall.

	lb	s	d
first 21 pound 4 shillings Enoch Place debtor, on bond	21	04	00
2 Richard West Bucher, for cattell	14	10	00
Joseph Aldrich for money lent	02	00	00
Abiah Carpenter for money lent	01	02	06
Oliver Carpenter for money lent	01	18	00
for Tooles that were not devided	01	05	00
for bokes that were not devided	01	10	00
Recorded ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk. ⁄	43	09	06

Here followeth the Jnventary (or to say the Record of the Jnventary) of the deceased Benjamin Beers, of Providence, who departed this life on the third day of July in the yeare of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & fourteen.

The Jnventary of the | moveable | Estate of Benjamin Beeres of Providence in the Collony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations &c; who departed this life the third day of July in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & foureteene

	lb	s	d
Jmprimis, To his weareing Apparrill	05	11	00
To one fether bedd, not being full	04	00	00
To Two piire of sheets, much worne	01	00	00
To foure blancketts & one Coverlid, all much worne	01	18	00
To one flock bedd & one paire of sheetes & 2 blanckets & one Coverlid, all very much worne	02	04	00
To three small feather Pillowes & 2 old Bolsters & one Meale Bagg	00	12	00

To a small Parcell of linnen & Woollen yarne	00–04–00
To three Old Chaires & one | old | Table & a nett	00–04–00
To one broad Axe & three narrow axes all very much worne	00–11–06
To one steele Trapp	00–12–00
To Two Gunns & a Pouder horne	03–05–00
To three Cowes & two heifers & one small Calfe	15–11–00
To one Mare & Coult	09–00–00
To three small swine	01–10–00
To shingles & Clabbords	04–00–00
To Old Barrills	00–08–00
To one new sithe & Tackling belonging to it	00–08–00
[105] To one old Plow & Jrons belonging to it & a horse collor & Traces to draw with, all much worne	lb s d 00–12–00
To one Logg Chaine	00–18–00
To one Jron Barr	00–07–00
To one saddle & bridle & a Male Pillion	01–00–00
To a Grind stone & 4 Jron hoops for Wheeles	00–08–00
To two old hoes & one Old sithe	00–04–02
To an Old Apple Mill & a Cider Press	00–15–00
To an old lathing hammer & a parre of Compasses & a Ring & two hookes & a narrow Chizell	00–07–02
To two old hand sawes & some old Jron & a Gimblett & a shott bagg	00–06–08
To an old Reaper & two old Rasors & two old sithes	00–10–04
To a gouge & a paire of nippers & a paire of shears	00–05–00
To a Parcell of sawne boards	01–07–00
To a bung boarer & spike Gimblett	00–02–04
To Comb teeth a box Jron & a bell	00–07–00

To a Curring Comb a hammer drawing knife & Raspe	00–05–00
To a Piece of a Chaine, a staple & Punch	00–01–00
To a bell old Jron frieng pan & old Jron Pott	00–05–00
To a pair of Beetle Rings, old Jron kittle brass kittle & brass skellett	00–09–06
To a brass kittle, a woollen wheele a Cheese fatt two trayes & a Can	00–08–06
To a wooden Bottle a linnen Wheele and other Old lumber	00–04–06
To sheeps wooll, Cards one paire; an old sithe & nebbs, & Jron wedges	00–10–00
To an Auger, 3 old Pewter platters, 2 old basons and three Porringers	00–15–06
To 3 Pewter Potts a Pewter cupp, a Tinn Tunnell, 6 spoones & old Pewter	00–10–06
To 4 Glass Bottles 4 Earthen Cupps & other small Earthen Potts	00–03–00
To 3 knives, a great toothed Comb & dressed Deeres Leather	00–14–06
To Jron Teeth for Oyster Tongs & Carpenters Adds	00–05–00
To a Cannoo & chaine to it, a small parcell of fethers & bookes	01–12–00
	64–12–02
To a paire of Money scales a small pewter bottle	00–04–00
To a paire of Bellowes a paile & a chest	00–05–00
To an Jron Stake for leather, an old Trammill & a paire of stilliards	00–12–00

To his wifes Apparrill	03–03–00
	4: 4:00
brought over	64:12:02
Sum Totall:	68:16: 2

A true Jnventarey, Errors Excepted;
Taken this 5th of July Anno Domini: 1714
By us Richard Browne
Samuell winsor. /

Examined by the Towne Councell of Providence July the 6th 1714; Attests Tho: Olney, Clerk
Recorded ℔ Tho: Olney, Clerk. /

[106] Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration on the Estate of ye deceased Benjamin Beers

Whereas Benjamin Beers of the Towne of Providence in the Colony of Roade Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England departed this life the third day of July in the yeare one Thousand seven hundred & foureteene (his wife Rachell also being dead) and hee dieing intested, whereby the Care as Concerneing his Estate fell to the Towne Councell of said Providence

And whereas you John Bullock of said Providence have manifested yourselfe to be willing to take the Administration of said Estate & to Adminester thereon: And you haveing Given bond for the true performance thereof; Wee Joseph Whipple Assisstant & Phillip Tillinghast Assistant, together with all others the now Towne Councell of said Providence do now by these presents, (so farr forth as the law doth us impower) Comitt unto you the said John Bullock the whole

power of Administration on the Estate of the said deceased Benjamin Beers, & on the lands the which he improved, according to the Councells order & directions; and on the said Estate to Administer, act do & legally to performe in all perticulars as the law doth Require an Administrator to do; And to Render an account to the Councell of your acting therein when by them Requird, By order of the Councell, & on their behalfe,

Dated, May y^e 14^th 1715: Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Recorded May y^e 16^th: 1715 ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of a Letter of administration Granted to Phebe Greene widow

Whereas Benjamin Greene of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Prouidence plantations in New England departed this Life the Eleuenth day of march Anno Dom: 1714 / 15—and dyeing Entestate and his widow Phebe Greene haueing taken an Enuentory of the Estate of her deseaced husband Benjamin Greene: which was approued and accepted by the Town-Councill of Prouidence aforesaid: And where as shee the said widow Phebe Greene Requested a Letter of Administration vpon the Esstate of her said, deseaced, husband and haueing giuen in sufficient Bond for her performance of the same: Where vpon att a Towncouncill held att Prouidence aforesaid y^e 17^th day of October: 1715

Administration was Granted vnto her as by these presents doth appeare: that shee the aforesaid widow Phebe Greene should adminiser vpon all the moueable Esstate which belonged vnto her deseaced husband Benjamin Greene: Giueing and hereby granting vnto her full power and authority to act and

do therein: Jn all Cases as neede shall Require as fully and amply as the Law allows an administrators to do; Prouided always shee Render an account of her proceedings therein: when therevnto Required be the aforesaid Towncouncill or there sucsessors signed | & sealled | by order of y^e^ Councill this 17^th^ day of October Anno Dom—1715—and on there behalfes

℔^r^ Richard Waterman Clerk of y^e^ Councill

Recorded this 22^d^ of October 1715

℔^r^ Richard Waterman Clerk

[107] An Jnuentory of the Esstate of Benjamin Greene Junr who departed this Life the Eleuenth day of March 1714/15

	lb s d
Jnprimis: To his wareing apparril	18–00–00
To one feather bed and beding & furniture	12–00–00
To one flock bead and furnuture	05–00–00
To one feather bed and beding	10–00–00
To one dussen and half of napkins and three table clothes and seauen pillow casses four bolster casses	03–10–00
To two paire of sheets	02–10–00
To seauen Cheirs and two small tables	01–08–00
to three bedsteds	01–05–00
to Corn and Meal	00–10–00
To two Chests & one trunk & a box	01–07–00
To two Bibles one Testament an Hodders AReth-matick	00–15–00
To six plates and two basons and six porringers & 4 plates	02–07–00
To one quart pot one beker one tin pan one tunnel six spoones	00–09–04

To three brass kittles and one skillit	03–12–00
To one Jron pot one kittle and one Chaffen dish two box Jrons	01–06–00
To one warming pan	00–16–00
To fire Slice and tongs & tramel	00–12–00
To one frying pan two Candle sticks, a duson of trenchers arthun ware and woodden dishes	00–14–00
To one small Gun	01–00–00
To one Saddle and male pillion	01–05–00
To a Cradle and Cradle bed and furnuture	01–02–00
To Salt pork in the Celler and sum sope	00–14–00
To a wollin whele and Cotten and flox	00–16–00
To a kneeding trough and two siues and half a bushel malt	00–05–10
To old Cask and other Lumber	00–10–00
To a Raisor & knife & fork & penknife	00–03–06
To one young horse	04–00–00
To Money and plate	02–06–06
To bills of Creadit	08–12–06
To three small swine	01–04–00
To more bills of Creadit	00–18–00
	88–17– 4

A fare inuentory to the best of our vnderstandings taken this 21st of march: 1714 by vs William Hopkins Abill Potter his A mark

Recorded this 24th of october: 1715 ℔r Richard Waterman Clerke.

[108] Here follows ye Record of John Thorntons Will 1715/16

I John Thornton of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and prouidence plantations Jn New England being weake of Body but of dissposeing mind and memory Praise be giuen to God for the same do make this my Last Will and Testament Jn manner and form following first and prinsipally I Commit my spirit Jnto the marcy full hands of Almighty God my Creator and my body I Commit to the Earth to be deciently buried after the disscretion of my Executors here in after named; And as to the worldly Goods and Esstate the Lord hath Lent me in this present world I giue and bequeath as followeth.

Jmprimis: I Giue and bequeath vnto my son Josiah Thornton the full Sum of forty Pounds in Currant money of New England And I do by these presents order and fully Jmpwer my Executors hereinafter named to sell and disspose of all my Lands and Tenements within the Town or Township of Prouidence aforesaid: And be all brought into moueable Esstate: and after my debts funaral Charges and Other Exspences duely paid then the Remainder of my whole Esstate to be Equally deuided amongst all my Children sons and daughters as the Law directs: and my son Josiah to haue his Equal part with the Rest, besides the forty pounds aboue mentioned: And I do appoynt my two sons John Thornton and Josiah Thornton to be my Executors of this my Last will and Testament: but in Case my son John will not Joyne with my son Josiah to bargaine sell and disspose of my said Lands and Tenements: Then I do by these presents fully Jmpower my son Josiah to Bargain sell and disspose of my said Lands and Tenements and to sign seale and Execute a deede or Deeds of the same: that shall stand good against my Heirs Executors or administrators for

Euer: Jn witness where of I do herevnto sett my hand and seale this 29th day of December anno Dom 1715

Signed | & | sealled Jn the presence of vs } The marke of John X Thornton

Arthur ffenner

The marke X of Ebenezer Spreague

Richard Waterman Junr

on the back side of the will Jt was written as followeth

Att a Town Councill held att Prouidence ye 18th day of January Anno Domoni 1715/16

The Councill being full: The within Will being Examined and the Witnesses therevnto sworn before the Councill: Wherevpon Jt Js voted and allowed to be a Parfect Will

℔r Richard Waterman Clerke of the Councill

Recorded this 25th day of January. 1715/16

℔r Richard Waterman Clerke

[**109**] Here followeth the Euentory of John Thorntons Esstate

The Jnuentory of the moueable Esstate of John Thornton of Prouidence Jn New England Deceased who departed this Life January the 9th Anno Domni: 1715/16

Jmprimis his wareing apparrill	02–10–00
Jt : one bead & be|a|ding & Beadsteads	04–00–00
Jt : One Jron pott & one Jron kittle a small brass kittle & a small skillit	01–04–00
Jt : one Trammel and a broaken fireslice & a Pare of Tongs	00–08–00
Jt : To puter vessels and spoones	00–16–00

Jt	one Chest and one box	00–09–00
Jt	To wooden vessels	00–06–00
Jt	Too working tooles	00–17–00
Jt :	two Jron Rings and three Jron wedges	00–04–00
Jt :	Two bags	00–04–00
Jt :	To old Lumber	00–04–00
Jt :	three Cows	12–00–00
Jt :	four Cattle which are year & van|tages|	08–00–00
Jt :	two Calues	02–00–00
Jt :	fiue Loades of hay	04–00–00
	The sum to tall is	37–02–00

The aboue written is a true Jnuentory erors Excepted taken and made by vs Edward manton and Arthur ffenner the 17th day of January and Jn the yeare aboue said as witness our hands

Edward Manton

Arthur ffenner

Att a Town Councill Held att Prouidence this 18th day of January: 1715/16

The aboue Written Jnuentory is vo\|a\|ted and allowed to be a Parfect Jnuentory

℔r Richard Waterman Clerke

Recorded this 25th day of January 1715/16

℔r Richard Waterman Clerke

Whereas John Thornton of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Prouidence plantations Jn new England who departed this Life January ye 9th anno Domoni 1715/16 Did in his Last will and Testament appoynt his two sons John Thornton and Josiah Thornton Executors to Execute his sd

Will: Therefore these are to Jmpower you the said John Thornton and Josiah Thornton Executors Haueing proved s[d] Will To take into your Care and Custody the whole Esstate of your deceased father John Thornton Jn order to discharge his debts and performe his Will

Giuen att a Town Councill held att Prouidence the 18[th] day of January anno Dom 1715/16

Signed and sealled by order of the Councill and Jn theire behalfe

January y[e] 25[th] 1715/16 Recorded

℔[r] Richard Waterman Clerke of the Councill

℔[r] Richard Waterman Clerke of the Councill

[110] Here followeth the Record of Isac Bulls Will

Jn the name of God amen the fifth of Aprill 1716

I Jsaac Bull of the Towne of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Prouidence Plantations, Carpenture,

Being very sick and weake in body but of Perfect mind and memory thanks be giuen vnto God therefore: Calling vnto mind the Mortality of my Body &c: Knowing that it is appoynted for all men once to dye: Do make and ordaine this my Last Will and Testament; that is to say Preinciably and first of all I Giue and Recommend my soul into the hand of God that Gaue it and my body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial att the discretion of my Executors: and as Touching Such worldly Esstate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life I Giue demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form: Jmprimis I Giue and bequeath to mary my dearly beloved

wife all my whole Esstate in Prouidence boath Real and personall dureing her natural Life: Jtem I Giue vnto my son John Bull twenty shillings in money Jtem I Giue vnto my daughter Elizbeth Vahan twenty shillings in money; Jtem I Giue vnto my daughter mary Morey twenty shillings in money: Jtem I Giue vnto my Daughter Rose Jnman twenty shillings in money: Each of the aboue mentioned twenty shillings to be paid by my Executors to my son and daughters afore mentioned at the End of one yeare after my decease, as also all others of my Lawfull debts and funaral Charges and after the decease of my beloued wife mary Jtem I Giue vnto my daughter Hannah Bull all the then Remaining part of my Esstate to her and her Heirs Lawfully Begotten of her body for Euer But in Case shee haue no Heirs to inherit this Esstate after her: then my will is that it be Equally deuided amongst my four Gran Children after named, viz: Jsaac Bull Jsaac Vahan Vriah morey and Aaron Jnmon: forbiding any Contesting one with another on the Penallty of Looseing his part in the same

Lastly I Constitute make and ordaine my wife sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament all and singulior my Lands messuages and tenements by her freely to be Possessed and Jnjoyed and I do hereby vtterly disallow Reuoake and disanull all and Euery other former Testament wills Leagacyes and bequests and Executors by me in any ways before named willed and bequeathed: Ratifieing and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament: Jn witness whereof I haue here vnto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare aboue written: further more Requireing Each and Euery Party to go according to the words here written

signed Sealled published and declared by the said Jsaac Bull as his Last will and Testament

his
Jabush X Brown
marke
Joseph Herndeen
X
his marke
Anthonny Spreague

Jsaac Bull

on y^e^ Backside of said will Jt was written as followeth:

The within named Jsaac Bull then before the Ensealling of this Jnstrement declared that he was no ways Jndebted to his Children [**111**] for any seruice don for him by them and allso said he had made them an offer to Look after him dureing his naturall Life and then they should | haue | his Esstate after him but they Refused it

Att a Town Councill held att Prouidence y^e^ 17^th^ day of April anno Dom 1716.

The witnesses to y^e^ within will Personally appeared and declared vpon oath that they subscribed witnesses and that they saw the within named Jsaac Bull, now deceased, sign and seale the within Jnstrement and that at the same time he was Jn his Perfect sence and memory wherevpon Jt is voated and Past in the Councill to be a parfect will; Richard Waterman Clerk

Recorded april y^e^ 19^th^ 1716 } Mr Richard Waterman Clerke of y^e^ Councill

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A True Jnuentory of all the goods and Chattle of Jsaac Bull of Prouidence, deceased prised this 14^th^ of April: 1716 By Eliezer Arnold Vollintine Whiteman Richard Sayles

		£ s d
Jtem	To a Purs and wareing apparril	03–03–00
Jt	To Cash	10–15–08
Jt	To Books	02–00–00
Jt	To the Bedstead and beeding	09–00–00
Jt	To a peice of Cloath of wolling	06–00–00
Jt	To a peice of Cloath Cotten and woll and yearne	02–14–00
Jt	To two brass kittles & other oald brass	02–06–00
Jt	To a jron pott and two kittles and a frying Pann[el]	01–10–00
Jt	To puter two glass Bottles one Looking glasse & a stone jugg	00–10–00
Jt	To six foot of glass & a paire of sheepe sheers	00–10–00
Jt	To | y[e] | Carpenters tooles	02–07–06
Jt	To a whip saw and sithes and mill peeck and a scow	01–11–06
Jt	To two Chanes and old jron & a Plow and horse tacklen	03–07–00
Jt	To jron barr Betle and wedges narrow axes pitch forks	01–05–00
Jt	To Cord winders seete tools and Leather and two hides	01–14–00
Jt	To meete and other prouition and two bushels of Barly	02–17–06
Jt	To twenty Bushels of Jndian Corne & one bushel meale	03–03–00
Jt	To Rye six bushels and two bushels & halfe of Peese	01–15–00
Jt	To fifteene Bushels of oates and one bushel of Mault	01–14–00

Jt	To beans halfe a bushel and two pounds of hops	00–04–02

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		£ s d
Jt	To six pound of woll and flax a Hatchel and Cards	00–12–00
Jt	To a spining whele and other old Lumber and things for Gat	00–10–00
Jt	To a gun and Pouder	00–15–00
Jt	To two two yeare old hiffers and two yearlings	07–16–00
Jt	To a maire and Colt and hay and nine sheepe	09–12–00
Jt	To one swine	01–00–00
Jt	To one Grindstone	00–05–00
		98–17–04

Att a Town Councill held att Prouidence y^e^ 17^th^ of April Anno Dom 1716 The with Jnuentory was Examoned voated and Excepted Richard Waterman Clerke

Recorded this 19^th^ day of April 1716

℔^r^ Richard Waterman Clerke

Here followeth the Record of y^e^ will of Samuel Westcott deceased

Jn the name of God amen the 21^st^ day of february 1715 or 16:

The Last Will and Testament of Samuel Westcot of the Township of Prouidence Jn the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Prouidence Plantations in New England Being very sick and weake of body yet in Parfect mind and memory thanks be giuen vnto God therefore Calling vnto mind the mortallity of my body, and Knowing that it is appoynted for all men once to dye, do make and ordaine this my Last Will and testament: that is to say Principally and first of all I giue and

Recommend my soul Jnto the hands of God that Gaue it, and my body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in decent Christian Buriall att the decretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but att the General Resurrection I shall Receiue the same againe by the mighty Power of God: and as touching such worldly Esstate wherewith Jt hath Pleased God to bless me in this Life with I Giue Demise and disspose of the same in the following manner and form

JPrimis I Giue and bequeath to freloue westcott my dearely beloued wife all my moueable Esstate and as to what Land I Haue I Leaue to the dissposestion of to my Executors to disspose of it when they shall see meete to do it and to make sale of all or any part of my Lands giueing warrantable deed or deeds thereof which shall be to the byer—Athentick against my heirs or any other person or persons whatsoeuer and also I order my Executors to pay all my debts which in any ways appears to be Lawfully due and to Receiue all due to mee—Jtem I Giue vnto my daughter freeloue Westcott twenty pounds in money when shee shall attaine to the age of Eighteene years to be Paid by my Executors and Jf that Child Proue a Daughter which my wife is now big with Likewise shall haue twenty pounds in mony when shee shall attaine to the age of Eighteene years to be paid by my Executors and [**113**] and the Remainer of the Efects of this my Land shall Be Laid out in Lands againe for my sons att the disscression of my Executors to be Equally Deuided amongst my three sons. viz Samuel westcot and Jabish westcot and Thomas westcot and Jf that Child Proue a son which my wife is now big with as is aboue mentioned shall haue an Equall share with the Rest of my sons of the Lands thus Produced: and Likewise I Constitute

make and ordaine my truste and well beloued Brothers Josiah westcot and Joseph fenner to be Executors to this my Last will and Testament and I do hereby vtterly disalow Revoak and disanull all and Euery other former testament wills Legacies and bequests and Executors by me in any ways before named willed and bequeathed Ratificing and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and testament: in witness whereof I haue herevnto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare aboue written

Signed Sealled Published Pronounced
and declared by the said Samuel westcot
as his Last will and testament
Jn the presenat of the Subsribers

Tho: ffenner — Samuel Westcot
John Harris
Benjamin westcot
Josiah Burlinggame

on the back side of the will Jt was written as followeth

Att a Towne Councill held att Prouidence this 17th of April 1716 The within written will was Examoned Approued and Allowed to be Recorded

As Attest Pr Richard Waterman Clerke
of the Councill

Recorded this 21st of April: 1716
Pr Richard Waterman Clerke

A True aprisall or Jnuentory of the moueable Estate of Samll Westcott of the Town|ship| of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland who departed this Life on ye 7th of march 1715/16

	lb s d
To his wareing apparril	10–00–00
To Beds and bedsteads	06–00–00
To other Housal stuff as jron puter & wood	07–13–00
To meate and Corne	04–10–00
To Chaines and Plow and other jron ware	03–00–00
To a meair and Colt and saddle	10–00–00
To sithe and tackling & narrow ho	00–06–06
To a yoake of Oxen three Cows fiue yearling Cattle	34–10–00
To swine	02–10–00
To oats	01–00–00
	79–09–06

[**114** The aboue aprisal was Taken the 21st of march 1716 by vs the subscribers

Stukly westcot

Richard ffenner

Att a Towne Councill held att Prouidence this: 17th of April 1716 The aboue Jnuentory was Examoned and approued

As attest ℔r Richard Waterman Clerke of ye Councill

Recorded this 23d of April 1716

℔r Richard Waterman Clerke

Whereas Jsac Bull of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Prouidence Plantations in New England, Carpenter, now deceased Did Jn his Last will and testament name and Appoynt his wife Mary Bull Executrix to his said will: And shee haueing Proued the same and also Taken an Jnuentory of her deceased husbands Esstate which was Accepted by the Town Councill:

Therefore wee the Town Councill of Prouidence aforesaid

doe by these Presents Commit Jnto the Care and Custody of you the s^d^ Mary Bull Relick widow of the s^d^ Jsac Bull deceased; all the Moueable Esstate of your s^d^ deceased husband: with full Power and authority to administer vpon the same

Signed and Sealled by order of the Councill & on there behalfs this 17^th^ day of April Anno Dom 1716

℔^r^ mee Richard Waterman
Clerke of y^e^ Councill

Jn the Name of God amen the 26^th^ of June 1716 I John Dexter of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland being very sick and weake of Body but of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be giuen vnto all Mighty God there fore: Calling vnto mind the Mortality of my body and Knowing that it is apoynted for all men once to dye: do make and ordaine this my Last will and Testament that is to say Principely and first of all I giue and Recomend my soule into the hands of God that gaue it and as touching such worldly Esstate where with it hath Pleased God to Bless mee in this Life I Giue Demise disspose of the same in the following manner and forme;

Jmprimis I Giue and bequeath to my honred [**115**] Honred Mother Allis Dexter one Giuiny

Jtem I Giue to my sisters Mary Abigal sarah Phebe Anne Allis twenty pounds ℔^r^ Each Jtem I giue vnto my two Brothers Stephen and James my weareing apparril and Books Jnstrewments: after all my Lawfull debts are paid Jf any thing Remaines I giue and Bequeath it vnto my Brother James Dexters Eldest son I Constitute make and ordaine William Crawfford of Prouidence in the Colony afores^d^ my sole Execu-

tore of this my Last Will and Testament hereby vtterly Disallow Reuoke and Disanull all and Euery other former Testaments Wills Legacies and bequests and Executors by mee in any ways before named willed and bequeathed Rattifieing and Confirming this and no Other to be my Last will and Testament; in witness whereof I haue here vnto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare aboue written

Signed sealled Published Pronounced
and declared by the s[d] John Dexter John Dexter
as his Last will and Testament
in Presents of vs subscribers
James Andrew
Robert Burnet
Joseph Southworth
on the Back side of s[d] will it was indorsed as followeth
Say Brook the 9[th] Day of July 1716

M[r] James Readfield M[r] Thomas Anderson and M[r] Charles Guyllam Personally appeared and made Oath that they Rec[d] of Cap[t] Joseph Southward the within Last will and Testament of John Dexter to whome Jt was delivered and by Reason of s[d] Southwards present Jllness haueing as is supposed the small Pox, and dangerous for any but those y[t] haue had it, to speake with him the three persons aboue named haueing Rec[d] it of him and Red itt vnto him he hath declared that the within will was written by him and signed sealled and deliuered vnto him as his Last will and testament & that he was of good memory & vnderstanding when he did the same this the aboue Testimonies haue declared vpon Oath from Cap[t] Southwards one mouth who is a witness to said Will: sworn before mee Dan[ll] Taylor Justice & Qu[r]

Robert Burnett mate of y[e] sloope where Cap[t] John Dexter

dyed being Likewise a witness to said will owns his hand and that he subscribed and Likewise saw Cap[t] Joseph Southworth and James Andrew subscribe as witnesses with him self to the within will and that he was of good vnderstanding when he made and finshed itt: taken vpon Oath y[e] Day and yeare aboue written

Before mee Daniel Taylor Justice of y[e] Peac|e| & Qu[r]

[116] Att a Towne Councill held att Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland &c: the 4[th] of August 1716

The within will was Examoned and approued and ordered to be Entred vpon Record

as attest ℔[r] Richard Waterman Clerke
of y[e] Councill

Recorded this 6[th] day of august 1716

℔[r] mee Richard Waterman Clerke

An Jnventary of the Esstate of Cap[t] John Dexter Marener who departed this Life the 29[th] day of june 1716

Molasas	Gallons	Molasas	Gallons
J No 6	102½	No 19	103
J No 2	93½	No 13	98
XX No 5	105	No 7	108
No 10	110	No 9	99
No 8	95	No 12	105
No 11	100	1 barril	30
No 14	105	a barril	35
No 4	102		
No 13	106		1599
No 16	102		

	£	s	d
Att 1[s] 8[d] ℔[r] Gallon	133	5	0

Whereof 203 Gallons and half is in the hands of M^{r} Wi^{ll}m Smith of the aboue s^{d} Molases and twenty Gallons in in a barril att 9^{d} ℔^{r} Gallon	00–15–0

To: 10 Loues of Sugor 34^{r} £ £ s d
att 1^{s} ℔^{r} pound Comes to 17–01–00

[**117**] Jtem to Cap^{tt} Jo^{n} Dexters Chist and Clothing and what is in it

Jmprimis To wearing apparril	
To 3 shirts	01–16–00
To 6 shirts	01–08–00
To 5 Neckcloaths	00–12–00
4 Caps	00–07–00
To a paire of Pistols	01–00–00
1 sheete	00–04–00
1 paire of slippers	00–05–00
a Rem^{nt} of striped stuf	01–00–00
a Quadant	00–18–00
a Coat and jacket	03–08–00
a jacket and briches	01–04–00
a Paire of Leather Britches with plaite Buttens	00–14–00
an Oald Coate	00–05–00
a Gunters scale	00–03–00
a Nocturnal	00–02–06
7 ℔^{r} of stocking	00–18–00
a gageing Rod	00–02–00
the vaines of a fore stafe	00–01–00
To 10 Bookes	01–12–00
The English Pilatt	01–08–00
2 wiggs	01–00–00

2 Prosspect Glasses	00–02–00
3 Raiszors and a hoane	00–07–00
a Paire of Deuiders and a Paire of silk Garters	00–03–00
a Brush a Combe & Diaclom and some other small things	00–04–00
i Chestt	00–08–00
a Case Bottel of Oyle	00–04–00
a paire of siluer Buckels	00–11–08
To siluer money	04–12–03
To Gold	04–06–00
To 2 gold Rings 1–0–3	01–00–03
Amounts to	29–07–11
Jtem to Negro woman & a Negro Boy	60–00–00

A faire Jnventory of what Came to our vew this 3d day of avgust 1716

Taken by vs Errors Excepted

William Hopkins
James Browne
James Applebey

Att a Towne Councill held att Prouidence the 4th day of August 1716 the aboue Jnuentory was Examoned and approued

as attest ℔r Richard waterman
Clerke of ye Councill

Recorded this 6th day of august 1716
℔r me Richard Waterman Clerke

[**118**] Whereas Capt John Dexter of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland &c: marriner, Did in his Last will and Testament Name an appoynt Capt William Crawfford of

Prouidence aforesaid: sole Executor; to his s^d will, and the said William Crawfford haueing Proued the same before the Towne Councill held att Prouidence the 4^th day of August 1716 And also Exhebited an Jnuentory of y^e s^d Testators Esstate that was acepted by the said Councill

These are therefore to Jmpower you the said William Crawfford to administer vpon the whole and Euery part of the said Testators moueable Esstate: Jn order to discharge his debts pay Leagacies and performe his will according to the Trust Jmposed in an Executor; Giuen vnder my hand and seale this: 4^th day of august anno Dom 1716 by order of the Councill and on theire behalfs

Richard Waterman
Clerke of y^e Councill

Recorded ꝑ^r Mee Richard Waterman Clerke

Whereas Samuell westcott of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Prouidence Plantations Jn new England who departed this life on the seauenth of march anno Dom 1715 did in his Last will and Testament Costitute make and ordaine his brothers Josiah westcott and Joseph ffenner both of Prouidence afore s^d Executors to his s^d will: who haue Giuen in Bond to the Towne Councill of said Prouidence for theire true and faithfull performance of theire said Executorship

These are therefore to order and fully Jmpower you the said Josiah westcott and Joseph ffenner to take into your possession Care and Custody all and singulior the moueable Esstate Goods and Chattles of the aboue named deceased Samuell Westcott: and on the same to administer Jn order to discharge

his debts and performe his will: Giuen att a Towne Councill held att Prouidence aboue s^{d} y^{e} 17th day of Aprill Jn the seacond yeare of his majestyes Reign George King of Greate Brittan &c: anno Dom 1719

Signed and sealled by order of the Councill and on theire behalfs: ℔^{r} mee Richard waterman

Clerke of the Councill

[119] Jn the name of God amen I James Andrew of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland & Prouidence plantations in New England, being very sick & weake of body yet through the Goodness of Almighty God of Parfect minde & memory & Calling to mind the Mortallity of my body and Knowing that is appoynted for men once to dye, do make & ordaine this my Last will and Testament, That is to say Principlley & first of all I Giue and Recomend my soule into the hand of all mighty God that Gaue it & my body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent manner at the discretion of my Executrix here in after named; & & touching such worldly Esstate as it hath pleased God to Bless mee with in this Life I Giue Demise and dispose of the same in the following manner:

Jmprimis: I Giue & deuise to martha my Dearely beloued wife my whole Esstate boath Real and Personal: That is to say Lands Goods moneys Chattels & Creadits of what nature Kind or Quallity soeuer Excepting only three pounds in money which is Due to me from my Loueing Brother William Andrew, the which I Giue & Bequeathe to my much Honoured mother Mary andrew & I desire my dearely beloued wife Marthere whome I Likewise Constitute make and ordaine my sole Executrix of this my Last will & Testament, To take the

best Care shee is Capeable of Tenderly to bring vp my beloued and only son John Andrew: And I do hereby vtterly Disallow Revoak & disannull all and Euery other former will & Testament by me made: Allowing Ratifieing & Confirming this and no other to be my Last will & Testament: Jn witness whereof I haue herevnto sett my hand & seale this 10th day of July Jn the yeare 1716

Signed sealled published Pronounced and declared by the said James Andrew as his Last will & Testament Jn the presence of vs

James Applebey
Grifin Jones
John Jonse

James Andrew

Rhoad Jslan ss

Jn Prouidence on ye 19th day of July 1716

Personally appeared Grifin Jones one of the witnesses to this will & made Oath that he saw James Andrew signe seal & Publish this to be his Last will and Testament & that he signed his name att ye same time as a witness & that to the best of his Judgment sd Andrew was at ye same time of a sound & dissposeing mind & yt he saw James Applebey & John Joans sign ass witnesses

Taken before mee William Crawfford Justice

[120] on the backside of sd will is was written as followeth:

Mr Jmes Applebey and Mr John Jonse boath personally appeared before the Councill this first day of August anno Dom: 1716 and made oath that they saw James Andrew: deceased. sign & seale the within Jnstrement as his Last will and Testament and he was then in his perfect sence and memory att ye same time, and that themselues signed witnesses to the same

As Attest ℔r Richard Waterman Justice of Peace

The within will voated and Past att a Town Councill held att Prouidence the day and yeare aboue written: to be a perfect will and to be Entred vpon the Councill Records

As Attest ℔r Richard Waterman Clerke of ye Councill

Recorded this 8th day of August 1716

℔r mee Richard Waterman Clerke.

A true Jnuentory of all and singulior the Goods and Creadits of James Andrew of the Towne of Prouidence Marriner, who deceased, on the tenth day of this Jnstant July 1716

Taken and apprised this Eithteenth day of the same month: by William Hopkins and Joseph Browne: Js as followeth

Jmprimis	£	s	d
To Beding Two Beeds two Couerleds three Blanketts two paire of sheets four pillowbeers	11	00	00
Jtem To one Jron Pott frying pan Jron Kittle trenchers & Earthenware	02	10	0
Jtem To Beefe and Pork	02	00	00
Jt To Glass Bottles & drinking Glasses	00	03	06
Jt To weareing apparril Left in the House	03	00	00
Jt To a Bed steed and Bed cord and two Chists	01	03	00
Jt To a Cradle and Cradle Couerlid and siue	00	10	00
Jt To Cotten yearn: a Reele & buttens	01	03	00
Jt To Barrils and other wooden: Lumber and Candles	00	15	00
Jt To sope: and a bushel of Rye	00	07	00
Jt To: 3 Table Cloaths & six towels	00	i4	00
Jt To fire tongs and a trammil	00	04	00
Jt To a Basket and a Caske	00	01	00
Jt To one Hogshead of Rum	14	00	00

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Jt	To one Hogshead Molases	10–00–00
Jt	To one Barril and halfe a barril and firkin and a Lofe of suger	12–00–00
Jt	To obligations for money	48–17–08
Jt	To one Bible	00–07–00
Jt	To Puter and spoones and Candle stick and flesh fork	03–02–00
		111–17–.2

The aboue written is a True Jnuentory of what Came to our hands: Errors Excepted

William Hopkins
Joseph Browne

The aboue Jnuentory voated and Past att the Towne Councill this 1st day of August 1716

as attest ℔r Richard Waterman Clerke of the Councill

Recorded this 8th day of August 1716

℔r me Richard Waterman Clerke

An Adition to the Jnuentory of the Esstate of James Andrew Deceased

		£ s d
Jtem	To : 1 : Bible : 1 : sermon Booke : 1 : Marrines Booke : 2 : Story Bookes	01–02–00
Jtem	Att ye house where he dyed. : 1 : Jron pott : 1 : Bed Blanket : 1 : Porringer, Pott hooks : 1 : Chaire : 1 : Skillitt : 2 : spoones	02–00–00
Jt	To A wolen whele & Cards	00–09–00
Jt	To woll and yearne	02–08–00
Jt	To Cash	02–10–00
Jt	To one siluer dram Cup	00–08–00
Jtem	To : 1 : Quadrant : 1 : slideing Gunter 2 pr Deuiders : 1 : Jnk horn : 1 : pen knife	00–18–00

Jt	To : 1 : Puter bason	00–01–08
Jt	To : 1 : Peele	00–04–00
		10–00–08

The Addition aboue written allowed by the Councill to be Recorded with the principle Jnuentory
as Attest ℔r Richard Waterman Clerke

Recorded this ; 8th day of August 1716
℔r me Richard Waterman Clerke

[122] A true Jnuentory of the Esstate of Mr Obadiah Browne of Prouidence in ye Colony of Rhoad Jsland &c: who departed this Life the twenty fourth day of August in the yeare of our Lord one thousand seauen hundred and sixteene

	£ s d
Seauenteene Cows att three Pounds ten shillings a Cow	59–10–00
a yoake of Oxen	11–08–00
a yoake of three and vantage steers	08–10–00
a yoake of two and vantage steers	06–10–00
a two and vantage bull & a yeare and vantage bull	03–10–00
one two & vantage steere and fiue yeare and vantage steeres	10–00–00
nine spring Calues and two sucking Calues a fortunight or three weekes olde	07–07–00
a two and vantage meaire	13–00–00
a Red Roane meaire	06–00–00
fiue swine	06–10–00
seauen Piggs about two monthes olde	01–05–08
To wots in the straw	02–10–00
To Rye in the sheafe	01–08–00

To thirty Loads of Jnglish hay	30–00–00
To sixteene Loads of meadow hay	10–00–00
To flax in y^{e} sheaf	01–00–00
To half a Crasscut saw and half a dusson sithes	02–00–00
To a Logcheaine	01–15–00
To a greate harrow teeth	01–00– 0
To a hors harrow teeth	00–16–00
To two draft Chaines	01–00–00
To plough Jrons and staples and Rings for yoakes	00–16–02
To Cart and and wheles & hups & boxes and Jron tire and Cleauis and pin	08–00–00
To hors Chaines and tackling	00–10–00
To a saw and joynter stocks and Jrons and Coopers tooles	01–12–00
To a square and Cumparsis	00–03–00
To sithes and sithe tackling	00–14–00
To Beetle Rings and wedges	00–05–00
To augors and Chisels and other small tooles	00–14–00
To a broad ax and froo	00–08–00
to an Jron barr	00–12–00
to axes hooes and old Jron	00–18–00
To forks and Rakes	00–06–00
To a paire of andjrons	01–18–00
To fire tongs fire slice & tramels	00–13–06
To a Chafeing dish and two Candle sticks	00–05–06
To a warming pan	00–10–00
for a small board Gun	01–10–00
To a muskit	01–00–00
To a gun one of y^{e} Queenes arms	01–04–00
To a jron pott	00–19–00
To two old jron potts and a jron kittle	00–12–00
To a Brass skillitt	00–10–00

This Jnuentory is Entred in y^{e} new Booke

To a small Brass kittle and a small brass skillit	00–09–00
To a grate Brass kittle	03–00–00
To a Chamber pott	00–04–00
[**123**] To a Puter platter	00–07–00
To a Puter bason	00–04–00
To three puter Porringers	00–04–08
To seauen Puter Platters	01–17–00
To ten putor plates	00–12–06
To Eight puter Porringers	00–08–00
To a Puter bason	00–04–00
To seauen hard mettle spoones	00–04–00
To an old puter platter & two basons	00–03–00
To an old Chamber pot & two old porin|gers|	00–03–00
To two puter bacors	00–02–08
To a quart pot a pint pot & a jell pot	00–04–00
To a stoone jugg	00–05–00
To six glass bottles	00–02–00
To a Looking glass & houre glass	00–04–00
To a frying pan & gridjron	00–06–00
To a paire of sheepe sheers and tailors sheers and sickle	00–03–08
To a small table and Joynt stoole	00–12–00
To seauen Chares	00–10–00
To a Brass kittle	01–00–00
To kelers milk trays and two Chirns and a Chese tub	01–11–04
To fiue milking pailes	00–05–00
To barrils and old tubs	01–10–00
To two Lining wheles & an old wolling whele	00–08–00
To a bushel and half of Rye	00–05–03
To a grind stone	00–05–00
To a paire of stillards	01–00–00

To a Quilted saddle and firniture and a port mantle	02–14–00
To a pillion	00–08–00
To hemp on the stalke	00–15–00
To six pound of drest hemp	00–05–00
To seauenteene pounds of drest flax	00–14–02
To a sett of Jron boxes for Cart wheles	00–07–00
To three thousand one hundred and forty eight foot of white pine bords	07–10–00
To one thousand three hundred and twenty Eight foot of pitchpine bords	02–10–00
To a saddle and two bridles and a maile pillion	00–15–00
To a paire of Wosted Combs	02–00–00
To Currant Bills of Creadit	13–12–06
To siluer money	01–15–06
note there is three lines	
To a paire of money scales & weights	00–06–00
To a peice of hollan	00–13–00
To a peice of Garlick hollan	01–00–00
To three silk handkerchifs	00–12–00
To fine thread and tape	00–02–06
To a Childes mantle	00–18–00
To his wiues wareing apparril & two Table Cloathes and napkins with other wareing Lining with a Childes stifen Coate	15–00–00
To Curtins and vallince	01–10–00
To Seauen firkins of butter	14–00–00
To a bed and bolster with | yᵉ | Couering and bedsted and Cord	08–12–00
To a bed and bolster with the Couering & bed-stead and Cord	14–00–00
To a bed and bolster with the Couering & bed stead and Cord	08–12–00

[124] To two flock beds with the Couering & Couering and bedstead and Cord	03–06–00
To two Bookes & two files and hobnailes and sum other small trifels in a till of a Chist	00–09–00
To a Rapier and belt & a small pistoll	00–10–00
To nine yards of Carsy Cloath	02–05–00
To fourteene yards of Lining Cloath	01–06–00
To six yards of Lining Cloath	00–12–00
To three Chists	00–16–00
To two trunks	01–05–00
To a sett of Cast boxes for wheles	00–13–00
To | a | hetchel and sum tou yearn and a bunch of pealled hemp	00–09–06
To four grist bags	00–11–00
To thirteene yards of Lining Cloath	01–06–00
To a white Leathor skin & a Calf skin	00–03–06
To a table Cloath and other Linnin	00–04–06
To two Rundlets	00–03–00
To thirty pound of feathors	03–00–00
To tallow	00–07–00
To a Cradle & Reale & Riddle	00–05–00
To Cooper stuff	01–00–00
To a Raisor	00–02–06
To kniting neadles & wolling yearn	00–02–06
To two firkins	00–02–00
To Jron hoops & baile to a bukket and sum old Jron	00–05–00
To a peice of an old file a saw sett	00–01–00
To one bible and other books	00–11–06
To wareing apparril	17–05–00
To standing Corne and tobaco not Cut vp	07–00–00

This Jnuentory is Entred more plaine in y^e^ new Booke

To apples vpon y^e^ trees	01–00–00
To fiue Bells	00–14–06
To a paire of siluer shoo buckles & Eleuen black dogs	00–06–00
To book debts	02–12–06
To a bond for money	02–01–00
The Sum total is Errors Excepted	377–00–01

Taken by vs
noote there is 3 lines att y^e^ latter End that should abin on y^e^ other side
} Roger Burlinggame, John Mathuson, Benjamin Waterman

The aboue Jnuentory was att a Town Councill held att Prouidence y^e^ 12^th^ of septm^r^ 1716 After Examination voated and Past to be a parfect Enuentory

As Attest ℔^r^ Richard Waterman
Clerke of y^e^ Councill

Recorded this 17^th^ of Sept^r^ 1716
℔^r^ Richard Waterman Clerke

The aboue Jnuentory with y^e^ letter of administration is Entred in y^e^ new booke

[**125** Here followeth y^e^ JnRolement of y^e^ Letter of administration Granted to Martha Andrew

Whereas James Andrew of Prouidence in the Colony of Rhoad Jsland and Prouidence plantations Jn New England deceased, who departed this Life the 10^th^ of July 1716 did in his Last will and testament name and appoynt his Rellict widow Martha Andrew sole Executrix to his s^d^ will and whereas shee the said Martha Andrew hath proued the said will and Exhebited an Jnuentory of the Testators Esstate before the Towne Councill held att Prouidence the first day of august: 1716 that was accepted by y^e^ s^d^ Councill

These are therefore to order and fully Jmpower you the s[d] Martha Andrew to take into your Care and Custody the whole and Euery parte of the moueable Esstate of your aforesaid deceased husband and fully to administer vpon y[e] same in order to discharge his debts. and performe the trust Jmposed in an Executrix: Giuen vnder my hand and seale this 4[th] day of August Anno Dom 1716 by order of the Towne Councill and on theire behalfs

Richard Waterman Clerke of y[e] Coun|cll|

Recorded ℔[r] Richard Waterman Clerke

[126] march y[e] 10[th] 1720/21

Then Receiued of my Brother in Law Abill Potter the sum of ten Pounds being in full of that parte of | my | now Wifes Legacy that her Hon[rd] father Abill Potter, deceased; Jn his Last Will and Testament: ordered and appoynted should by payed to her by the said Abell Potter and her Brother George Potter; I say wee haue now Receiued the said sum in full satisfaction: as Witness our hands the day and yeare aboue Written

Signed and deliuered
Jn the presence of vs
Thomas Kilton
Nathan Waterman

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Recorded ℔[r] Richard Waterman Clerke

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[*128] Here followeth the Record of the last will & Testament of Steven Arnold of Pautuxett in Providence, who died the 15th: day of November 1699.

To all Christian People before whome this My last Will & Testament May or shall come, Greeteing. Know yee That I Stephen Arnold Senior inhabetant of Pautuxett in the Towneship of Providence, in ye Colloney of Rhoade Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England in America, Have made this present writeing to be my last Will & Testament, to prevent future Trouble & Controvercyes that might any wayes arise Concerning my worldly Goods or Estate, I being now in my perfect Memory & vnderstanding, I doe with my owne hand write this my last Will & Testament.

Jtem: ffirst I doe give & bequeath unto my Eldest son Jsraell Arnold & his heirs & Assignes for Ever all my Right Title & Jntrest in all the lands & Meaddowes that I have, or ought to have on the south side of Pautuxett River both devided and vndevided, To say a Purchase of lands & Meaddowes which I bought of Zachary Roades as by a deede under his hand beareing date 1658 doth therein appeare. And also a percell or Tract of land that Keketawekett Sachim of Pautuxett passed over unto me by a deede beareing date 1660 doth therein appeare, And also a Confirmation from Naúnaúnánténew, alias Quánonch´het, chiefe sachim of the Narragansett Countrey, beareing date July 1674 doth appeare And also a Purchasse of lands & meaddowes that I bought of Joseph Carpenter, both devided & vndevided as by a deede under his hand doth appeare. The one halfe of all the aforesd lands & Meaddowes I formerly Gave unto my Son Jsraell, &

* At this point the book was reversed and continues this order to page 255.

now I doe hereby Give my foresaid Son Israell all the rest of my foresaid lands & meaddowes, both devided & vndevided.

I doe hereby Give my Said Son Jsraell Arnold with all the privelidges & the appurtenances thereto belonging to him his heirs Exsecutors & Assignes, forever And also I doe Give & bequeath unto my Son Jsraell Arnold a Pond called and knowne by the name of the Duck Pond which lieth & is scituate on the west side [**129**] of the long Boggey Meaddow, & on the East side of the Path that leadeth from Chohissit unto Pautuxett River: And also one hundred & fifty acres of land lieing on the south side of the said Pond & adjoyneing to it; which said Pond with the land I had of James Sweete & Daniell Sweete as by a deede under their hands beareing date 1682 doth therein appeare; All which Pond with the land aforesaid shall be the lawfull Jnheritan|ce| of my Son Jsraell Arnold & his heirs & Assignes for Ever. And also I doe Give unto my Son Jsraell a peece of Meaddow scituate within the Prescinks of y^{e} Towne of Warwick; and is knowne by the name of Crafts Meaddow the which I bought of Job Almey as by deede under his hand doth appeare; the said Meaddow with the appurtenances shall be the lawfull inheritance of my son Jsraell Arnold his heires & Assignes for Ever. Also, I doe Give & bequeath unto my Son Jsraell all that my Right Title & Jntrest that I bought of Edward Jnman at a place Called Wainsokit, which containeth about 350 acres by the Eighteene foote pole, as by deedes & Covenants under his hand doth therein appeare; All which lands at wainsokit I doe Give unto my son Jsraell Arnold & his heirs, Exsecutors & Assignes for Ever.

And also I doe hereby Give & bequeath unto my Three

sons, Jsraell, Stephen & Elisha to them & their heirs & Assignes for Ever a Certaine Tract, & percell of lands containeing seven hundred and fifty acres of land lieing & is Scituate on the South Side of Aponack Cove or River, & bordering on Cohissit Bay; The which land I Purchassed of Major John Greene & Cap^{t}: Randall Houldon, of Warwick as by deede under their hands beareing date i681 doth plainely appe|are| And the foresaid seven hundred & ffifty acres of land Shall be Equally devided, betweene my three sones, Jsraell, Stephen & Elisha when they shall see cause; And the foresaid land shall be Equally devided betweene them as convenient for the one as for the other.

And if it should fall out that Either of my three sones should dye before they have devided the said land betweene them, yet their Child or children to whome they may or shall give any of the foresaid lands those child or Children shall have as full Power & Right to devide the foresaid lands with theire vnkle as their ffather or [**130**] or ffathers had when they were liveing. And the said lands with all the privelidges & appurtenances thereunto belonging shall be their true & lawfull Jnheritanc for themselves, their heirs, Exsecutors & Assignes for Ever. And I doe also Give & bequeath unto my three sons Jsraell, Stephen & Elisha a Comonage in the Towneshipp of warwick which I bought of Job Almey as by a deede under his hand doth appeare. All the foresaid land at Cohissitt & the foresaid Comonage shall be Equally betweene them & their heirs & Assignes for Ever.

Jtem. I Doe hereby Give & bequeath unto my Son Stephen Arnold a part or halfe of all my lands on y^{e} north side of Pautuxett River both devided & vndevided which was layd out to

me by the thirteene men of Pautuxett lands, who were y^e^ heirs of the ancient Purchassers ; To say, all my lands & meaddowes that are neere adjacent to my Dwelling house as farr westward as to a Ditch which my ffather William Arnold Caused to be made betweene his meaddow & my Meaddow, & so from the North End of the said ditch upon a streight line up the hill Northward unto the barrs or place that Carts did vsually goe into the orchard where my ffather William Arnold Dwelt, And from thence on the same line northward unto the bounds of the land laid out for Peleg Roades on the Plaine; And from the foresaid Ditch & line Eastward my son Stephen shall have all the land & meaddow Except a peece of Meaddow at the south end bounded with the Great River, & on the west by the foresaid Ditch; & on the East by the vineyard Pond, & on the north by a line begining a little Northward of being oppositt against the Middle of the vineyard a low Gutter, or a place that the water first Runneth out of the Pond into the meaddow, & from that Place on the East over to the foresaid Ditch on y^e^ west side of it; And the line shall Runn athwart from East to west in the lowest meaddow fitt for [**131**] parting with a Ditch; And it is on the south side of a little hill or Ridge that doe runn athwart the Meaddow where a haystack doe use to stand; All the foresaid peece of meaddow as is before bounded containes about three acres be it More or less. And the foresaid Meaddow shall be the true & lawfull Right & Jnheritance of my son Elisha & his heirs and Assignes for Ever. And all the Rest of the meaddow, & vpland & Orchards that lie & are scituate betweene the foresaid Ditch & the Lotts on the Neck, & my Right in the Jsland Called the vineyard by the Meaddow and all my lands that lieth in Pautuxett neck on

the North side of Pautuxet ffalls & River, & also all my lands on the long neck lieing Eastwardly from the falls; Only my son Elisha shall have free Egress & Regress for his Catell to goe or to drive them to the Salt Water on the said long neck in the winter Season & also to fetch Rockweede for his vse at any time on the said Neck; Also my son Elisha shall have free Egress and Regress to Pautuxett ffalls to take fish or any other Necessarye thing when he or his heirs, have any ocatio|n|: for Ever: And also I doe Give and bequeath unto my son Stephen a Tract of land adjoyneing on the north side of the Thirteene Lotts on the Great Neck; & it is in part bounded on the south side by Meaddow of Richard Watermans & part by the lotts in y^e^ Neck And it is bounded on the North by land laid out for Peleg Roades, & on the East the salt water; & so Extending westward unto a high way layd out to goe from the Country Rhode to Pautuxett ffalls, And from thence westward untill it Come in Parralell with the foresaid line and Ditch on the west that my ffather Caused to be made betweene his meaddow & My Meaddow: All which lands afore Specified, & Meaddowes so bounded shall be the true & proper Right and lawfull Jnheritance both for my Son Stephen & his heirs Exsecutors and Assignes for ever. And also my dwelling house & houseing shall be my foresaid son Stephens; But only my wife Sarah Arnold his mother shall have part of my dwelling house for her owne vse so long as shee doe live, That is, shee shall have the Chamber at the southerly End of the house that have a Chimney in it | to make fire in it | & where shee have alwayes lodged; which chamber my wife shall have to [**132**] her owne vse & Comand as long as shee doe live; And my Wife shall have all the Money & Goods that is in that

Chamber, both in Clossetts Chests or Boxes, and the Bedds shee shall have for her owne proper vse, And shee shall have Equall privelidge in the lower Roome under the said Chamber & the Leanetoo & the Cellar for her nessesary use when shee have ocation as long as shee doe live. And my son Stephen shall alwayes provide two good milch Cowes for his Mother, & hee shall provide & looke aft|er| them both winter & summer; And if any one of those Cowes May or should faile of being a good Milch Cow then my son Stephen shall dispose of that Cow & put another good Milch Cow in stead of the other for his mothers use & bennefit as long as shee doe live; And he shall provide firewood sufficient for his Mother both for winter & summer for her Comfortable subsistance as long as shee doe live. Also my Wife shall have privelidge & vse of the Kitchen and ovens as long as shee doe live and after my wifes decease, then all my dwelling house & houseing, & all the land & meaddow before specified shall all be my son Stephens true & lawfull Jnheritance for himselfe & his Heirs & Assignes for Ever.

Jtem. I Doe hereby Give & bequeath unto my son Elisha Arnold & his Heirs and Assignes for ever all that Meaddow & vpland which was my ffather william Arnolds which I purchassed of my Brother Benedict, as by a deede under his hand doth therein appeare, The which said Meaddow & upland & Orchard is scituate & being on the west side of the land & Meaddow that I have Given to my Son Stephen; & is parted with a Ditch & a line that Runneth from the North End of the said Ditch up the hill northward unto the Gapp or barrs where we did use to goe into the orchard where my ffather dwelt, and from thence northward unto land laid out for Peleg Roades on

the Playne, which boundeth it on the Playne northward; And on the west by land on the Plaine belonging to Benjamin Carpenter [**133**] and also by the ancient River which is Now a Pond, and on the south End by the great River, that Runneth to Pautuxett ffalls and the foresaid Ditch boundeth it on the East; All which said Meaddow & vpland so bounded shall be the true & lawfull Right & Jnheritance of my son Elisha Arnold, both for himselfe & his heirs & his Assignes for ever.

And also I Doe Give & bequeath unto my Son Elisha Arnold & his heirs and Assignes for Ever a percell of Meaddow which my ffather William Arnold bought of William Harris as by a deede under his hand doth appeare, which said Meaddow lieth & is scituate in a neck of Meaddow on the north side of Pautuxett River, & is bounded on y^{e} northeastwardly part with a Pond now, which was formerly the Great River; And on the South meaddow of Silas Carpenter, & on the south Eastwardly by the River, & on the West by a Ditch; all which said meaddow, with the appurtenances there unto belonging shall all Now be the true & lawfull Right of Jnheritance for himselfe & his Heirs & his Assignes for Ever.

And further, I Doe Hereby also Give & bequeath unto my son Elisha Arnold & his Heirs & Assignes forever a Tract or percell of land neere ffifty or sixty acres, more or less, whereon Elishas housing standeth, & his orchard groweth; being bounded on the south side by land in possession of Peleg Roades, & on the East by the salt water, & on the north side by a highway leadeing from the salt water westward |un|to the Countrey Roade on the west: and on the southwestwardly side by a highway leading from the Countrey Roade unto Pautuxett ffalls; All which aforesaid land & premises & with

the appurtenances thereon shall all be the true proper & lawful|l| Jnheritance of my son Elisha & his Heirs and Assignes for ever.

Also I doe Give & bequeath unto my son Elisha & his Heirs & Assignes for Ever a Tract or percell of land containeing seventy acres of land; Jt is bound on the north by the south line of Providence Towne & adioyneing to ffifty acres of land lieing on the north side of the aforesaid line where Ephraim Carpenter formerly dwelt; And it is bounded on the west by Pauchasett River, & on the East by land of Joseph Williams or Benjamin Carpenter and so laid out southward untill the land was made up seventy acres; The which seventy acres of land I gave unto my son Elisha because the said land doe joyne unto the foresaid ffifty acres which was his owne before: all which land aforesaid shall be the true lawfull & Proper [**134**] Jnheritance of my son Elisha & his heirs & Assignes for Ever.

And I doe also Give & bequeath unto my son Stephen Arnold seventy acres of land scituate & lieing on the west side of Pápáquin´népauge Pond, & bounded on the East by the said Pond, & on the south by land of Silas Carpenters, & on the west by land layd out for Peleg Roades, & on the north part of | the same | land layd out to me: All which said Tract of land so bounded shall all be the true lawfull & Proper Jnheritance of my Son Stephen & his heirs & his Assignes for Ever:

Jtem, I doe also hereby Give & bequeath unto my two sons, both Stephen Arnold and Elisha Arnold, both for themselves & their Heirs & Assignes for Ever; all the rest of my lands both devided & vndevided which was layd out to me by the Purchassers of Pautuxett lands according to my Right

which I had when it was all undevided betweene Pautuxett River & the boundes of Providence Towne; And from East to West throughout all the Purchasse of Pautuxet landes; That is to say, All the lands, both devided & vndevided which I Purchassed of My Brother Benedict Arnold, And also the land that I bought of M[r] John Sayles as by Deede under theire hands doth plainely appeare All the foresaid lands betweene, or lieing betweene the salt Water on the East, & Pauchasett River on the West; And also my Right & Title that doe by Right belong unto me on the West side of Pauchasett River that is now vndeuided; All which foresaid lands both devided & vndevided shall be all in Equall Propriety to my two sons both Stephen & Elisha in all Privelidges whatsoever, in any Proffit or bennefitt. And they shall & may devide betweene them at any time when they shall see Cause. But if Either of my sons should dye; Either Stephen or Elisha before the lands aforesaid be devided betweene them, yet the said lands shall not be subject to that law of surviversh[i]pp, but if Either of my two sons should dye & decease before they have devided any of those lands Equally betweene them which I have Given & left to them in patnersh[i]pp yet vndevided betweene the them, yet nevertheless the heirs or children of to whome it may be Given by their ffather before or at his decease, both child, or [**135**] Children shall have as full and lawfull Power & Right to devide with any of their vnckles as their ffather or ffathers had whilst they lived: And if both of my sons Stephen & Elisha should both dye before any of the lands foresaid be laid out betweene them; yet their children to whome their ffathers doe Give it shall have as full Power & Right to lay out any of the foresaid undevided lands betweene

themselves as their ffathers had before them; And there shall be alwayes the same Power Privelidge & Right to all my Children & Grandchildren in the like Case at any time for ever. And so all the aforesaid lands & Premises both devided & vndevided so farr as Pautuxett | purchase | Doe or Ever did goe or Extend, shall all be the true & Proper Right & lawfull Jnheritance for themselves & their heirs & Assignes for ever.

Also I doe by these presents Give unto my three sons both Jsraell, Stephen, & Elisha all my Right Title & Jntrest that I have & ought to have in all the lands & Meaddowes which I have in Partnershipp with M^{r}: weston Clarke, Cap^{t}: John ffoanes, M^{r} Caleb Carr & severall others which by bonds and Covenants under our hands doth appeare, at a place called Wesquadennaiak; All which Propriety & Right of all the foresaid lands & Meaddowes, to say, all my proper Right that I have in all the said lands both upland & lowlands, with my part of all Privelidges & bennefitts, with all the appurtenances thereon that I have any Right or Title unto, I doe hereby Give & bequeath unto my three sons, both Jsraell Stephen & Elisha for them & their Heirs, Exsecutors & Assignes for ever. /

Jtem I doe Give & bequeath unto my son Stephen & his Heirs & Assignes for Ever a Towne shaare in Providence beyond the seven mile line westward The which share of land I purchased of Thomas Clemence as by a deede beareing date the second day of December 1682 doth therein plainely appeare, And the said share of land shall be the true & lawfull Jnheritance of my son Stephen & his heirs & Assignes for Ever.

Also I doe Give & bequeath unto my son Stephen and his Heirs & Assignes for Ever sixty acres of land laid out by the

Eighteene foote pole which I purchased of major william Hopkins as by a deede under his hand beareing date the first of may 1686 doth therein plainely appeare; All which [**136**] foresaid land Shall be the true and lawfull Jnheritance of my son Stephen Arnold & his Heirs and Assignes for Ever.

And I doe also Give & bequeath unto my two sons Stephen & Elisha one hundred acres of land that is passed over to me by Zachary Rhodes Sen^{r}: deceased, as by a deede under his hand dated the Eighteenth of Aprill 1668 doth therein plainely appeare; And my two sons aforesaid shall make use of all the Proffits Benneffits & Privelidges Mentioned in the foresaid Deede signed by Zachary Roades, which land I Gave sixty pound for it, which I have demand to be layd out to me, but it is not done; Therefore my sons both Stephen & Elisha shall demand the |fore|said hundred acres of land to be laid out to them when they see cause; And in the meane time untill the said hundred acres be laid out according to the foresaid Deede which was made to me by Zachary Roades, they shall make vse of all the Privelidges that are specified & mentioned in the said deede; & keepe possession of all the Privelidges in the lands that was layd out for Peleg Roades, for which I payd the surveior for the laying out of the said land because Peleg Roades would not; Jn which said lands the foresaid hundred acres ought to be taken or layd out; And when the said land is laid out according to the deede; The land or all the privelidges specified in said deede shall all be the true & lawfull Jnheritance of my two sons both Stephen & Elisha for themselves & their Heirs & Assignes for Ever. Also, I doe Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Greene and her heirs for Ever a share of land or lands lieing & is scituate in the

neck or necks of Quinimicuk in the Towne of warwick which I purchassed of John Low as by a deede under his hand doth therein appeare; All which lands aforesaid I doe hereby Give unto my daughter [**137**] Elizabeth Greene & her heirs for Ever, according to the same Tennure & Privelidges by which I Gave her other lands in the same neck of Quinimicuk by Deede of Gift before this time

Jtem I Doe also Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Carpenter & her Heirs for Ever all my Right Title & Jntrest that doe any wayes belong unto me in a small percell of Meaddow that my ffather did once Give to Jeremiah Roades, but not unto his Heirs nor Assignes, And Jeremiah died before he tooke any possession thereof; neither could he give it to his Heirs because it was only Given to Jeremiah, but not to his Heirs: which was but for his life; so after the said Jeremiah was dead, the said Meaddow, as the law have detirmined shall returne to the Doner or his heirs againe; which must be to the Doners Eldest son & heire Benedict Arnold, who sold all his Right Title & Jntrest which he had by vertue of being son & Heire to his ffather william Arnold unto his brother Stephen Arnold; so when I had Purchassed all my brothers Right & Title which he had in all his ffathers lands & Meaddowes in Pautuxett Purchasse then I had power to Give or sell it; And by vertue thereof I doe firmely Give unto my Daughter Sarah Carpenter & her Heirs for Ever that Tract, or peece of meaddow lieing on both sides of Mashapauge Brooke w^{ch} was once Given to Jeremiah; The Meaddow that is on the west side of the brooke is bounded on the south end by Meaddow of Joane Roades, & on the east side by land of Silas Carpenter; & on the west by Silas Carpenters land, & on the North by Meadow that was Joseph Williams.

And also my wife Sarah Arnold shall have a Third part of all my household stuff; As Potts, Kettles, Skelletts, or any other thing that may be nessessarey for her vse as long as shee doe live; And now I doe hereby declare ordaine & appoynt & impower my two Sons both Stephen & Elisha Arnold shall be my lawfull Exsecutors, & they shall cause this my [**138**] will to be Prooved & Recorded, and they shall pay all my lawfull debts & dues, & they shall demand & receive & gather up all the debts that are due to me upon all accounts whatsoever & they shall Burye me when I am dead, decently, & also when their Mother dieth they shall see that shee be buryed Cumly & decently. And so, now I doe humbly Pray & desire the Almighty & Eternall God of heaven & Earth to Bless preserve & keepe all my ffriends and Children, That they may live so worthily & Righteously in this world That they may live with our Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to all Eternitye And so to Confirme this my last will & testament I doe hereunto set my hand & seale this second day of june, one Thousand six hundred ninty Eight: / Memorandum, The word (those) in y^{e} 23^{d} line & 2^{d} Page; and the word: men: in the margent; and the word: Chimly: in the 8th line, & 4th page; and in the 6th page the two words: the, & the: & the word: west; in the in the Margent: & the word,: lands: in the 32 line; & the word: that: in the 34th line; & in the: 7 page the word lands: in the: 17 line: & in the 8th page, the word: share: in the 9th line: and the words: out: & is: in the 30th line: & the word,: shall: in the 31 line: in page the 9th the word: Sarah: & the word: by: All those words were inter lined before Signeing & sealeing:

Signed & Sealed by me,
And Confirmed in the presence of wittneses
Tho: Olney sen^{r}:
John whipple
James Mathuson
Samuell Baily

The 12^{f} day of December 1699
This will hath been by the Towne Councill of Providence Examined & approoved. Jta Testis, Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill. /

Stephen Arnold Sen^{r}:
All the afornamed witnesses came and did acknowledg before me, upon their Engagem^{t}: that they witnessed to the abovesaid last Will & Testament of Stephen Arnold senior; And the Testator owned the above written to be his act & deede before me
me Richard Arnold
Assistant, on June the 6th: 1699.

An Jnventarey of the Estate of M^{r} Stephen Arnold, who departed this life the fifteenth of November 1699.

ffirst, what was found in the Chamber in in the southwest end of the house & Clossett.

	lb	s	d
Jmprimis, To his weareing Apparrill	12	00	00
Jt To Silver & Gold	130	00	00
[139]	lb	s	d.
Jt To home made Cloath	10	00	00
Jt To Bookes	06	00	00
Jt To Plate	17	00	00
Jt To Pewter & Glasses	01	05	00
Jt To a Case of Bottles	01	01	00
Jt To an old Truckell bedd, & beding	01	15	00

Jt	To 2 old Coverlidds	01–10–00
Jt	To a Cubbard & a smale Table & 2 joynt stools	01–00–00
Jt	To 2 Chests & a small box & 3 Chairs	02–00–00
Jt	To wooll & yarne & baskets & other lumber	03–00–00
Jt	To seven paire of sheets	03–10–00
		190–10–00
Jt	To sheepe one hundred	20–00–00
Jt	To foure Oxen & twenty & two Cows	56–00–00
Jt	To five two yeare old Cattell	07–10–00
Jt	To one three yeare old heifer	02–00–00
Jt	To seven yeare old Catell	07–00–00
Jt	To Eigh Calves	04–00–00
Jt	To hay	25–00–00
Jt	To two stocks of Bees	01–00–00
Jt	To Corne	02–00–00
Jt	To Pewter in the lower Roome	03–00–00
Jt	To paire of stilliards	01–00–00
Jt	To brass & Jron all old & much worne	12–02–00
Jt	To a spitt & Jack	00–15–00
Jt	To a sconc & Grater & 2 Earthen Plats	00–03–00
Jt	To a Bell mettall morter & a Case of knives	00–08–00
Jt	To working tooles	00–07–00
Jt	To Tanned leather	04–00–00
Jt	To a feather bedd & beding in the Porch Chamber	05–00–00
Jt	To a ffeather bedd & beding in the north Chamber	05–00–00
Jt	To Tallow	00–13–04
Jt	To Money due by Bills	146–05–03

Jt	To a small piece of Blanketing	01–17–06
		305–01–01
		190–10–00
	sum totall is, Errors Excepted,	495–11–01

The 12[f] day of December 1699: Stephen Arnold & Elisha Arnold Exsecutors unto their deceased ffather Stephen Arnold his will; Came before the Towne Councill of Providence & made oath to the Jnventarey on the other side of this paper written, that it is the true & whole Estate of their aforesaid ffather Stephen Arnold of Pautuxet in Providence, in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence &[c]: so farr as they know of; & if any more doe come to light, it shall be brought in & added to the said Jnventarey. Also [**140**] Also the day & yeare abovesaid william Hopkins & Timothy Carpenter Came before the Towne Councill of Providence & vpon oath did declare, That the Jnventarey aforesd is a faire apprisall of the deceased Stephen Arnolds Estate of what they knew of, or was to them brought forth,

December y[e] 12[f]: 1699
Attests Tho: Olney Clerk
of the Councill. /

Here followeth a Record of the letter of Administration from the Councill to Stephen Arnold & Elisha Arnold.

Whereas you Stephen Arnold & Elisha Arnold of Pautuxet in the Towneshipp of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England & Exsecutors to the last Will & Testam[t]: of

your deceased ffather Stephen Arnold, beareing date the second day of June in the yeare one Thousand Six hundred ninty Eight; haveing given in bond well & truely to observe, performe & Execute the aforesaid last will & Testament of your aforesaid deceased ffather according to the true meaneing and intent thereof; Wee the now Towne Councill of said Providence Doe therefore by these presents (so farr forth as Power is unto us Comitted) fully impower you the said Stephen Arnold & Elisha Arnold Exsecutors to the said last will & Testament of your said deceased ffather, to Administer on the Estate of your s[d] deceased ffather, and his said last will & Testament to Execute & performe well & truely according to the true meaneing & intent thereof. /

Dated December the twenty sixt 1699.

By the Towne Councill of Providence,

wittnes
Joseph Woodward
Jonathan Sprague:

Tho: Olney Clerk
of the Councill. /

[141] The Jnventarey of the Estate of Epenetus Olney who died the 3[d] day of June 1698 as ffolloweth. /

Jmprimis;

what money he had, was all Expended in ffunerall Expenses		0– 0– 0
	2 oxen & a steere 5 yeares Old	14–00–00
Jt	5 Cowes	11–00–00
Jt	2 three yeare Old Cattle	04–05–00
Jt	i 2 yeare old Steere & a yeare old heifer	02–08–00
Jt	2 Calves	00–16–00

Jt	50 Sheepe & lambes together	10–00–00
Jt	5 Growne swine, & 4 small shoates	04–10–00
Jt	2 horses, one of them very old, litle worth	03–00–00
Jt	Jn y^{e} Cellar, 3 sides of leather	01–00–00
Jt	Meat, Biefe, & Porke	02–08–00
Jt	Butter in a firkin	01–05–00
Jt	A Barrill of sidar	00–07–00
Jt	sope & Grease	00–10–00
Jt	An Jron Croe	00–08–00
Jt	Old Caske, & 2 old Earthen potts	00–08–00
Jn y^{e} Kittchen		
	4 augers & a Gouge, & 4 Chizells, a Carving toole, a Tennant saw, a small Joynter 5 planes, & a small ffroe	01–00–00
	An Jron Square, an old hand saw, a drawing knife & a Creaseing plane	00–05–00
	Old Caske	00–01–00
	A Mortiseing Axe, & 6 other Axes & hatchets together, all old & worne out, & a bill hooke & a little chizell	00–16–00
	A little hatchett in y^{e} woods & a ffroe at w^{m}: Olneys	00–03–06
	i paire of Tongs	00–02–00
	i Jron Slice	00–02–00
	6 pitch forks	00–06–00
	2 Sickles	00–02–00
	2 old Sithes	00–01–06
	i new Sithe	00–04–06
	2 old sithes, & a stubb sithe wth sneaths, nebbs & Rings	00–09–00

	3 old Chaires	00–02–06
	2 old saddles	01–00–00
		61–00–00
Jt	A Curriors shave & a whetting steele	00–05–00
Jt	A spade & 2 old worne out Peck axes	00–07–00
Jt	A Logg Chaine	01–00–00
Jt	A Draught Chaine	00–07–00
Jt	A swingle tree, chaine & horse traces	00–04–00
Jt	A horse Collor, haimes, & hookes	00–04–00
Jt	A Clevice & pinn	00–02–00
Jt	A last knife & staple	00–02–00
Jt	A Draught yoake, & hookes & a Copps yoake & Ring & staple, all worne out	00–04–00
Jt	A paire of Cart wheeles, shodd, hoopes, Boxes 2 washers, 2 linspins & 2 Axelpins	04–10–00
Jt	Cart, nothing worth	00–00–00
Jt	2 Plough sharrs & Coulters worne out	00–08–00
Jn	the Dwelling house;	
	His weareing Apparrill,	08–05–00
Jt	A new Saddle Cloath	00–03–00
Jt	A Remnant of homemade Cloath	00–12–00
Jt	5 yards of Course blanketting	00–10–00
Jt	4 Cover lidds for Bedds	05–12–00
Jt	3 paire of blanketts	04–10–00
Jt	i paire of old blanketts	00–15–00
	[142]	lb s d
Jt	A small remnant of Coverlid stuff	00–01–00
Jt	A Remnant of Woollen Cloath	02–10–00
Jt	A Remnant of Woollen Cloath	02–00–00

Jt	An old ffeather bedd, 2 bolsters, & a sett of Curtains & Vallians, all old & very much worne	03–00–00
Jt	A Bedd stood	00–10–00
Jt	i Blankett, Old,	00–07–00
Jt	i paire of sheetes, old	00–10–00
Jt	6 Chaires	00–12–00
Jt	A silke Grass Bedd, & a small feather bolster & a pillow, all very old & | exeeding | much worne	00–16–00
Jt	i Paire of blanketts	00–10–00
Jt	i paire of sheetes	00–10–00
Jt	i small Bed studd	00–02–06
Jt	Jndian Corne & Rye	02–09–00
Jt	wooll	02–15–00
Jt	i Paire of blanketts	00–15–00
Jt	Linnen yarne	00–18–00
Jt	woollen yarne	01–01–00
Jt	Hempe	00–05–00
Jt	Eleven pounds & three quarters of Cotton wooll	00–17–00
Jt	i paire of Wooden ballances, old barrills & other lum|ber|	00–02–00
		48–15–00
Jt	A feather bedd & bolster & two pillowes	03–00–00
Jt	An old Rugg, & two sheetes, all worne out	00–10–00
Jt	2 paire of sheetes, & 2 paire of pillow beres	01–09–00
Jt	A Table Cloath & 2 dosen of Napkins	01–07–00
Jt	i sheete & 2 pillow beers	00–15–00
Jt	i Chest & lock	00–05–00
Jt	An old warming pann	00–06–00

Jt	i paire of stillyards	00–15–00
Jt	A wimble stock, 3 wimble bitts, a plough clevice & pinn, a sodring Jron, 3 old Raspes, an old sword, a branding Jron, & some other old Jron, a cold chizell & some other small old things of Jron	00–07–00
Jt	3 paire of sheetes	01–05–00
Jt	i Chest	00–06–00
Jt	An old short Gunn without a lock	00–02–00
Jt	An Earthen bason, a platter, a Cupp, a drinking Cupp, 2 plates, a salt siller, & some other small thinges	00–02–00
Jt	6 glass bottles, some small ones	00–02–
Jt	A drinkeing Glass	00–00–10
Jt	4 Porringers	00–03–00
Jt	Pewter drinkeing Bowle	00–01–00
Jt	A Pewter Gill pott, a halfe pint pott, 2 beakers & a small fflagon	00–08–00
Jt	An old quart pott	00–02–06
Jt	Eleven Pewter platters, 2 plates, 5 basons a Tumbler, a dram Cupp, a Pewter Candlestick, a salt siller, a brass candlestick, a brass Chaffeing dish & 11 spoones	03–06–02
Jt	An Jron Morter, much broken, & a pestle a scimmer, & a chafeing dish, & 2 Tinn panns	00–05–06
Jt	2 Jron Potts, & an Jron Kettell, all small, & a frying pann, old & patcht	00–16–00
Jt	2 brass Kettles, old, & worne out, & full of Patches, & a brass skellett	00–17–00
Jt	A Tubb, a cherne, 2 pailes, 4 Trayes, & a boul a keeller, 3 Cheese fatts, a pitcher, & a strainer	00–14–00

Jt	A sive, a hand Cleaver, & 2 old pease hookes	00–02–00
Jt	A butter box, & a small wooden dish	00–01–00
Jt	Chamber pott, & a Lantheron	00–02–00
Jt	A Cheese press, & a Cart Rope	00–06–00
Jt	A paire of bellowes	00–01–06
Jt	A fire shovell & a paire of Tongs	00–04–00
Jt	A paire of And Jrons	01–00–00
		19–03–06

[**143**]	Jt 2 Tramills	00–07–00
Jt	A Spitt & a Grid Jron	00–04–00
Jt	A Box Smootheing Jron & heaters	00–03–00
Jt	A woolen wheele	00–04–00
Jt	A paire of Compasses & a brass Roule for a Chalke line	00–01–03
Jt	An old Bible a Testament & some other small bookes	00–04–00
Jt	A dosen of Trenchers	00–01–00
Jt	A Couple of long Tables, at	01–16–00
Jt	6 old Chaires	00–06–00
Jt	Grinding Stone, Axell tre & wintch, of Jron	00–06–00
Jt	A flesh forke	00–00–10
Jt	Cheese	00–18–00
Jt	5 Stocks of Bees	00–10–00
Jt	Of Salt halfe a Barrill	00–05–00
Jt	A Caske of Tallow	00–02–00
Jt	6 Oyle Jarrs	00–02–00
Jt	A lookeing Glass, a salt siller & a Grat^{r}:	00–02–00
Jt	An old paile, some old barrills & some other old lumber	00–06–00

Jt	A percell of sawne bords	00–12–00
Jt	A percell of Brickes	00–05–00
Jt	the Sider Mill & press not priseable being Rotten	00–00–00
		06–15–01

	lb	s	d
The sum Totall, Errors Excepted, Amounts to	135	13	07

	lb	s	d
And further which was omitted, Jnglish & Jndian Corne, growing on the ground valued, & apprised at	08	00	00

The afore written Jnventarey was taken & made the day & yeare abovesd by us, Tho: Olney
William Hopkins

The 12 day of July 1698; the Towne Councill of Providence have Examined & Allowed y^e^ abovesd Jnventa|rey|

As Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Mary Olney, | the | Widdow of y^e^ deceased Epenetus Olney, the 12 day of July i698, appeared before y^e^ Towne Councill, & upon her Engagement did declare that the abovesaid Jnventarey Containeth the whole Estate of her deceased husband Epenetus Olney, so farr as shee knoweth; And if any more Come to knowledge it shall be brought forth to Jnventarey to be added;

Recorded ℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill

Here ffolloweth the Record of the last will & Testament of Henry Browne, who departed this life ffebruarey y^e^ 20^th^. $170\frac{2}{3}$. /

I Henry Browne of the Towne of Providence, in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations, in the Narraganset Bay, in new England, being Aged & weake of Body, but yet through mercy of sound & perfect Memory, and not knowing how soone it may please the Most High to remoove me out of this world, & being desireous to set my house in order, Doe make this my last Will & Testament; Hereby Revokeing, & makeing voyd & null all, & every other Will, or Wills at any time by me Made either by Word, or writeing, & this only to stand & be in force:

Jmprimis I Doe give & bequeath my Spirit to God who gave it & my Body to the Earth to be Desently Buried;

Jtem I doe Give & devise unto my Son Henry Browne all that my lands or ffarme in Providence Towneshipp, with the house on it, both vpland & meaddowes, with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging, lieing & being neere the Hill called Neotakonconitt, & his Heirs begotten of his Body for them to Possess after his decease; But in Case my said Son Henry shall have no Jshue, or no child liveing, then the said lands or ffarme to Revert, and be to my Son Joseph Browne & to his heirs begotten of his body; But in Case my said Son Joseph dye without Jshue, then the said landes to Revert & be unto my Son Richard & to his heirs of him begotten and for want thereof to be unto the Heir in law, who doth the same possess for Ever; I doe also Give & Devise unto my Son Henry Browne, My Right of landes which I bought of [**144**] Pardon Tillinghast, lieing & being in sd Providence Towneshipp & on y^e^ west side of y^e^ seven mile line, to be unto him, his heirs and Assignes for Ever. /

Jtem I doe Give & Devise unto my Daughter Phebe Har-

ris all that my Percell of Meaddow lieing in said Providence Towneshipp, on the west side of Moshausuck River, Adjoyneing to a percell of Meaddow belonging to Nicolas Power; As also about Eighteene acres of vpland to sd meaddow Adjoyneing, to be unto her, & the heirs: borne of her Body; to her & them, to be for Ever: / I doe also give, & bequeath unto my said Daughter, Phebe, my biggest Peuter Platter: /

Jtem I Doe Give & Devise unto my Son Richard Browne, to him, his Heirs & Assignes for Ever, all that my lands or ffarme, with all its Appurtenances lieing in the Towneshipp of Providence, in the woodes called Loquasqussuck woodes, it being about one hundred acres,

Jtem I Doe Give & Devise unto my Son Joseph Browne, all that my Owne Right of lands in said Providence Towneshipp, which lieth on the west side of the seven mile line, with all its appurtenances to be unto my said Son Joseph Browne, to him & his heirs, & Assignes for Ever: /

Jtem I doe Give & Devise unto my two Sons (namely) Richard Browne, & Joseph Browne, All those my lands, Meaddowes, Marshes, ffields, Orchards, & wood grounds with all & every their Appurtenances, with all lands Else vnder what denomination so ever, lieing, and being within that Tract of land called the neck in the Towneshipp of Providence aforesd, Equally to be devided betweene them; And Each ones part to be for ever unto him, & | to | the Heirs lawfully begotten of his | body | ; But in Case Either of my sd two Sones doe dye, leaveing no Jsshue then the deceased Party, his part shall be, & Revert to him of those my two Sones which doth survive, & to his heirs by him begotten; But in case both my said two sons should dye & leave No Jsshue, then all the sd lands, & also the housen thereon shall be to the next heir in law; /

Jtem I Doe Give & Devise my home staule, or dwelling houses with all Conveniencyes to the same belonging, unto my sd two sons, Richard Browne & Joseph Browne, & to their heirs in manner as I have before desposed to them the lands in the neck; vnto my said Son Richard, I doe give that part of sd house with the Chimney to it, that standeth over the Cellar, & is westward from the other part: And unto my sd Son Joseph I doe give the Cellar with its Chimney, & the other part of y^e^ house which is the Esterne part, & adjoyneing to the East end of y^e^ said Cellar; But never the less, in that part of sd house which I have Given to my sd Son Joseph, & said Cellar my Wife Hannah Browne shall have her being, & dwelling therein duering the Terme of her Naturall life, if shee shall see Cause so to doe;

Jtem My out house which standeth over a Cellar shall be to my son Richard Browne, & his Heirs as aforesaid; And he shall be at Equall Charge with my said son Joseph to build such another Cellar & house over it as that is, neere the dwelling house; And when that is finished, it shall belong to my Son Joseph & his heirs, in manner as aforesaid; But my sd two Sones, both of them shall Equally have the vse of the sd house already made untill the other be finished: /

Jtem I doe Give & Devise unto my two sons (viz) Richard & Joseph & to their heirs, in Manner as is afore Exprest, My owne Right of Comon in sd Providence so farr west as to the seven mile line: /

Jtem I Doe in like manner also give unto my Son Hennry Browne that Right of Comoning which did belong to Pardon Tillinghast as I did, the land to him & his heirs neere Neotaconkonitt; the said Comon in said Providence Towneshipp, to Reach westward, to the seven mile line; /

Jtem My Carts, Ploughs, & all Manner of Cart Tackling; And all manner and sorts of my Workeing Tooles, (only Excepting my Coopers tooles,) shall be Equally to my two sons Richard & Joseph: But my Coopers tooles shall be all & wholy to Richard; /

Jtem One Cow, Two, yeare old heifers, & one three yeare old Steere, I doe give to my wife Hannah Browne to be at her owne dispose; shee haveing brought so many to me: And all the Goodes of what sort so ever which shee brought to me when wee married together, I doe give to her againe. And also the Bedd which my wife and I doe lodge upon, with all the ffurniture to it, I doe Give the vse thereof to my said wife duereing her life, & after her decease, to be unto my Son Richard: /

Jtem My woosted Rugg I doe Give to my Son Joseph.

Jtem The halfe headed Bed Stud & the Bed thereon, & Rugg to it belonging & the other furniture thereof, I Give to my son Joseph. /

Jtem All the Rest of my Mooveable Goods of what sort so ever, I doe Give unto my two sons (viz) Richard & Joseph Browne, to be Equally betweene them devided; /

Jtem I doe give & bequeath unto my wifes Daughter Liddea Mathuson my Browne Coulered yeare old & vantage heifer; /

Jtem vnto my Son Joseph I doe Give a cupple of yeare old & vantage Steeres, & one two yeare old & vantage heifer, & my two white faced heifer Calves. /

[145] Jtem, All the Remainder of my Cattle, not before disposed of I doe leave to my wife, for her & the family their

vse, whilst shee Remains in my house, & therewith to pay my debts (if any be) my sheepe & swine also being acounted with them; And what Remaineth of sayd Cattle at my wifes departure shall be Equally unto my said two Sones Richard & Joseph Browne. /

Jtem I doe make & appoynt my loving wife Hannah Browne my Executrix, to Pay all my debts to any person, & to Receive all due to me, & to see my Body to be decently buried, & to performe and Execute this my Will according to the true meaneing & intent thereof; Jn wittnes whereof I doe here unto set my hand & seale, the Twenty & second day of September Anno: Domini, one Thousand six hundred, ninty & Eight: /

Signed & Sealed in the presence of memorandum

Tho: Olney sen^{r}:
Benjamin Beeres
Samuell Winsor jun^{r}:

Phebe Harris is in one place Crost out, by Reason that shee was before mentioned. /

The marke of X Henry Browne

March y^{e} 10th: Anno 170$\frac{2}{3}$ At a Towne Councill meeting of Providence the aforesaid Will & Testament, Contained on three sides of this sheete of Paper; was by the said Towne Councill Examined, & approoved to be the last will & Testament of Henry Browne, the Testator (deceased)

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of y^{e} Councill

Recorded March y^{e} 26th: 1703 ℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill.

The Jnventarey of the Estate of Henry Browne of Providence, who departed this life ffebruarey y^{e} 20th: 170$\frac{2}{3}$. /

		lb s d
Jmprimis,	Jn y^{e} fire Roome,	
Jt	A great Pewter Platter	00–05–00
Jt	i Pewter Bason & 2 Platters	00–09–06
Jt	3 old Peuter Platters, worne	00–06–00
Jt	2 old quart Potts, a Tinn Tunnell, a Glass Bottle	00–04–04
Jt	i old small Peuter Bason	00–01–00
Jt	2 old small brass Kittles	00–10–00
Jt	i small old Bell mettle Skillet	00–03–00
Jt	i old warmeing Pann	00–10–00
Jt	i ffrieing Pann	00–05–00
Jt	i old worne Jron Pot	00–07–00
Jt	i small Jron Pot & a small Jron Kittle	00–12–00
Jt	i ℔ of And Jrons	00–14–00
Jt	2 Tramills	00–08–00
Jt	i Spitt, a Slice & a fender Jron, a ℔ of Tongs, & a Pitch light Jron	00–09–00
Jt	i Cubbard	00–18–00
Jt	4 Spoones Old	00–01–00
Jt	i small Table	00–03–00
Jt	i Joynt Stoole	00–01–08
Jt	4 Chairs	00–05–00
Jt	i Earthen Pitcher & an Earthen Pot	00–01–08
Jt	2 Wooden Boules	00–02–00
Jt	2 Trayes	00–02–00
Jt	2 Earthen Potts	00–01–00
Jt	2 Small Tubbs, little worth	00–01–06
Jt	4 Old Tubbs	00–02–00
Jt	i Barrill	00–01–06
Jt	i Barrill with Meat in it, Barrill & meat	00–15–00
Jt	i Barrill with meat in it; Meat & Barrill	02–00–00

Jt	12 Trenchers	00–01–00
Jt	i Platter, & 6 dishes, all wood	00–01–08
Jt	i water Paile	00–00–08
	Jn y^e^ leantoo Bed Roome;	
	i ffeather Bedd & Bolster, & 2 Pillowes	04–00–00
Jt	4 Blanketts & a paire of sheetes	02–00–00
Jt	i Bedd Stood	00–08–00
Jt	3 Curtaine Rodds, Jron	00–01–06
Jt	3 Sheetes	01–10–00
Jt	Weareing Apparrill, with Stockins and Shooes	03–00–00
Jt	2 Shirts	00–14–00
Jt	i hatt	00–08–00
Jt	8 Blanketts in the Chamber	04–00–00
Jt	i old worne woosted Rugg	02–00–00
Jt	i wooll bedd & bolster, one Pillow, & Bedd stood	01–05–00
Jt	one Pillow	00–02–00
Jt	i Box & old Jron	00–02–00
Jt	i Chest	00–03–00
	[146]	lb s d
Jt	i Chest in the leantoo bedd Roome	00–09–00
Jt	i Carpenters Adds, i hand Saw & 2 chizells	00–06–00
Jt	Hand Plaine, a fore plaine, a joynter, a paire of bord Ploughes	00–06–00
Jt	4 moulding planes, a creaseing plane & a halfeing Plough	00–06–00
Jt	2 small Gouges a hand saw, 2 augers & a drawing knife	00–05–00
Jt	4 Turning Chizells, 4 Gouges, 6 Turning hookes & i Jron with a Screw to hold the wood in a Turnners l|e|ath	00–09–00

Jt	i Spring Lock & key	00–01–06
Jt	i old Bill hooke & 2, old Pease hookes, 2 frame Saws, a key hole saw, a slope poynted Chizell, a little froe a ℔ of old sheepe sheares, an old Sickle, & an old wimble stock	00–07–00
Jt	4 Jrons to make Roapes with all	00–03–00
Jt	i Sledge	00–05–00
Jt	i Jron Crow	00–05–00
Jt	i ffroe & a Riebitt Auger	00–02–00
Jt	i Jron foote, a hold fast, a ℔ of Pinchers & a hammer	00–05–00
Jt	A Coopers Adds, a hoell, a heading knife, a bung boyer, a Coopers Axe & a Croze Jron	00–12–06
Jt	i old Cross cut saw	00–06–06
Jt	4 old wedges & two Rings for a beetle, old	00–05–06
Jt	i Carpenters square	00–02–00
Jt	2 narrow Axes, Old	00–07–00
Jt	An old Chamber Pott	00–01–00
Jt	An old worne out Bill	00–00–08
Jt	old Tire of Jron for Cart wheeles, a set of old boxes, & 2 Axell pinns, much worne	03–08–00
Jt	3 old draught Chaines, & a Staple & a pair of hookes	01–00–00
Jt	A pair of hookes & Staple	00–03–00
Jt	i Logg chaine	00–14–00
Jt	Horsetraces, Collor & swingle Chaine, all much worne	00–05–00
Jt	A Clevice & Pinn	00–02–00
Jt	A Copps Ring & staple	00–03–00

Jt	3 shovells	00–01–04
Jt	Jndian Corne in the Cribb	05–12–00
Jt	Eleven swine (viz) a sow & 10 small shoates	04–00–00
Jt	12 sheepe	03–00–00
Jt	5 Cowes, one thre yeare old Steere, & two 2 yeare old heifers	21–00–00
Jt	A percell of wooll	00–05–00
Jt	A percell of Beanes	00–04–00
Jt	A grinding Stone & Jron Wintch	00–05–06
Jt	Jn Kash	06–08–02

Those things which Hannah his wife brought to him

Two Jron Kittles a brim'd bason, a plaine bason, an old Peuter dish, 2, old Porringers, a Glass bottle hold almost 2 quarts, a great Stone Judgg. A ffeather bed & bolster, & one pillow, & one Blankett. And a small wooll bedd & one blanket, & one Rugg much worne, & one Trunke, & one ℔ of Sheets; & one Chest, a small Stone jugg, an Earthen two handled pot, one woollen wheele, & one linnen wheele, or at least wheeles to spinn wooll & linnen: i Jron Candlestick, one Smoothing Jron, a white Gally Pott,

	To Henry Brownes Estate	lb s d
	3 Pillow beers & two sheetes	00–07–00
Jt	one Coverlidd & one blanket	01–10–00
Jt	one Box	00–01–06
Jt	one inch & a halfe Auger	00–02–00
Jt	A wooden morter & Jron Pestle	00–00–08
Jt	A ℔ of Stilliards	00–06–00
Jt	one pair of old brass Scales, & a 2^{lb} lead weight	00–02–06
Jt	A fles hooke	00–00–04

Jt	Two sithes, sneds, nebbs, & Rings, & Jron tackling for another	00–07–00
Jt	4 Pitchforks	00–04–00
Jt	3 cheese fatts	00–02–00
Jt	i cheese fatt	00–01–00
Jt	old lumber	00–05–00
The sum totall of this Jnventarey on both sides of this paper, besides the goodes which came with Henry Brownes wife, amounts to		85–01–08
if no mistake be in suming it up; And what came with his wife amounts to		08–01–04
The sum of both		93–03–00

Taken & made march the 4th: 170⅔.
by us Tho: Olney senr:
Nathaniell Waterman senior:

The 9th of March 170⅔ at a Towne Councill meeting of Providence, The Jnventary on both sides of this paper hath been Examined, & is by the Councill Allowed. /

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill.

Recorded march ye 31: 1703: ℔ me
Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill.

[**147**] Whereas you Hannah Browne (widdow) & Executrix to the last will & Testament of your late deceased husband Henry Browne of Providence, in the Collony of Rhode Jsland &c: The which sd will beareth date the twenty & second day of september Anno: Domini one Thousand six hundred Ninty & Eight: The which Will, on the tenth day of March 170⅔, you, as you were Executrix to the same, did Exhibit to the Towne Councill of sd Providence then met, desireing

approbation thereof; As also together with the said Will, did Exhibitt an Jnventarey of his Estate for Allowance of the same; The w^ch^ sd will the sd Councill did then Examine & approove to be the last will & Testament of the sd Henry Browne; And the sd Jnventarey did also Examin & Allow: These are therefore (so farr forth as the law doth impower us the sd Towne Councill) to Grant unto you the abovesd Hannah Browne, full Power of Administration on y^e^ Estate of your sd deceased husband Henry Browne; As a true & faithfull, Executrix to Execute the said will, & to doe & performe all things thereunto Relateing in all poynts according as the law doth require an Executrix to doe, according to the true meaning & intent of sd will; & to render an account of your Administration unto the Councill when Called thereunto;

By the Towne Councill of Providence,

March the 10^th^ 170$\frac{2}{3}$ Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Here followeth the Record of the last will & Testament of Capt^n^: Arthur ffenner of Providence, who departed this life October y^e^ 10^th^ 1703: /

Jn the name of God Amen; I Arthur ffenner of Providence, in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations &c: being weake in Body but in Perfect vnderstanding & Memory, thankes be to Almighty God for the same, Calling to mind my Mortallitye; And knowing that it is appoynted for all men once to Die; And being willing to set my house in Order, Doe make my last will & Testament in manner and forme following; That is to say, ffirst & principally, I Comend my

Soule into the hands of Almighty God, hopeing through the Merritts of my Savior Jesus Christ to have full & free Pardon of all my sinns, & to inherit Everlasting life, And my Body I Comit to the Earth to be decently buried at the descression of my Executors hereafter named, And as touchin the disposition of all such Temporall Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me, I give & bequeath as ffolloweth. /

ffirst I Will that my debts & ffunerall Charges shall be paid & discharged

Jtem I Give & bequeath to my deare & loveing Wife Howlong ffenner one Cow the best shee can chuse in my herd, & Tenn pounds of Currant money per Annu|m| duering her Naturall life after my decease, That is Tenn Pounds Every yeare to be paid to her by My Executors hereafter Named, or by their order yearely, And also the keepeing of a Cow, & one Roome which shee shall see cause to Chuse in any of my houseing duering her naturall life for her Comfortable liveing, And all my houseal Goods to be at her owne dispose after my decease. /

Jtem, I Give & bequeath unto my Two daughters ffrelove Craufford, and Bethiah Kelton the sum of Tenn Poundes a peice of money, or Pay Equivalent to money, to be paid unto them by my Executors within a yeare after my decease. /

Jtem I Give unto my Daughter Phebe Latham the sum of Tenn shillings to be paid to her within 1 yeare after my decease; And also I will for Reason[ ] best knowne to myselfe, that my two Executors hereafter named, doe keepe in depositt nine Pounds Tenn shillings of Money, or pay Equivalen|t| to money to Pay unto my sd Daughter Phebe Latham, or to her heirs, or which they my sd Executors shall see Cause, to be left wholy at their discression & as they shall thinke fitt. /

Jtem, I Give & bequeath unto my two Sons Thomas ffenner & Arthur ffenner, Jnhabitants in Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations, Whome I have Constituted & Appoynted to be Co Executors, of this my last Will & Testament, All my lands within the Towneshipp of Providence aforesaid that are already laid out, or to be laid out, together with all my Right in Comon within the seven mile line, & without the seven mile line, be it vpland low land, Meaddow, or what land so ever which is Mine not heretofore disposed of, to be Equally devided betwixt my two said sons, or as they shall agree to devide, To have & to hold for them their heirs, Executors, Administrators & Assignes forever: /

Jtem I Give & bequeath unto my two aforesaid sons Thomas ffenner & Arthur ffenner all the Remaineing part of my moveable Estate out of dores not disposed of to my wife with all my Cattail and horse kind to be Equally devided betwixt them, & also all my houseing besides what Privelidge I have above reserved to my wife, I Give to my two aforesaid sons to be Equally devided betwixt them, their heirs, Executors, Administrators & Assignes:

Jtem My Will is; That, that Roome which my Wife shall Chuse to live in; after her decease shall fall to my two said sones, their heirs Executors, Administrators, or Assignes, to be equally devided betwixt them. /

[148] Jtem I doe appoynt that my two sd Sons shall Pay all my debts and ffunerall Charges, And doe hereby Revoke, Disanull & make voyd all former Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made Rattifieing & Confirming this to be my last will & Testam^{t}:

Jn wittnes Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale

this Twenty seventh day of Agust in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & three. /

Arthur ffenner

Signed, Sealed Pronounced & declared by the said Arthur ffenner to be his last Will & Testament before us,
Daniell Matheson
the mark of
Sarah X Jnman
Simon Smith

Arthur ffenner | acknowledged | before me at his dwelling house in Providence the Third day of September 1703 this to be his last will and Testament
Jonathan Sprague Justice of ye Peace./

The Will & Testament which in this Sheete of Paper is Contained was by the Towne Councill of Providence at their Meeting the 12f day of November 1703; by Adjornment from November the 5th: 1703, Examined & Prooved. /

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill;

Recorded November the 18th: 1703: ℔ me Tho: Olney Clerke of ye Councill. /

The Jnventary of the Estate of Mr Arthu ffenner of Providence, Deceased, who departed this life the 10th day of October Anno: 1703. /

Jimprimis,

	lb	s	d
To his weareing Cloathes (Namely) 2 hatts, one Neckcloath one silke Capp, 3 shirts, 3 ℔ of silver Buttons, 5 wastcotts, 7 ℔ of of breches & a ℔ of drawers, 3 loose Coates, one Buff belt, 2 ℔ of Mittens, one ℔ of Gloves, 3 ℔ of stockins, one ℔ of Bootes & spurrs, & some shooes	08	06	00

To money in his Purse	00–15–00
To money Received since his decease	02–00–00
To Bedding (namely) 8 sheets, 6 Blanketts, 2 Ruggs, one Coverlid, 6 Pillows & Cases, 2 ffether bedds, 2 boulsters & Cases, & 2 fflock bedds	09–06–00
To a bedd & bedd stood, & furniture Compleat	10–06–00
To 3 small Table Cloaths, & three Napkins	00–12–00
To 4 Basons, 4 platters, 8 Potts, 7 Porringers, 4 sauscers 2 Cupps, one Chamber Pott, one bedd pan, one Still or Limbath, one Tinn Pann & Bell Mettle skillett	02–14–00
To A Great Brass Kettle	02–00–00
To 3 old brass Kettles	01–13–00
To 3 Jron Potts, 2 Jron Kettls, a ffrieng Pann & a dripping Pann	02–01–00
To 3 Candlesticks, one of Copper, one of brass, & one of Jron	00–06–00
To 3 Trammills, 2 ℔ of fire Tongs, 2 fire slices one Grid Jron & a paire of Bellowes	01–00–00
To A Warmeing Pann	00–08–00
To A great Bible	01–18–00
To A Booke Called the statute	02–10–00
To 7 small Bookes	00–19–00
To A Paire of Money Scales	00–06–00
To A Paire of brass scales & lead Weights	00–04–00
To A Joynt Rule	00–02–00
To 2 Bedd studs	00–10–00
To 8 Glass Bottells	00–06–00

To 3 Great Chaires, & 7 small ones	00–12–00
To 5 Chests & 3 Boxes & a Trunck	02–03–06
To A Bridle & sadle, Portmantle & male Pillion	01–00–00
To 4 Keilors, 4 Boules, 6 Pailes & two Runletts	00–15–00
To 2 Gunns & a Pistoll	02–00–00
To 2 Paire of Stilliards	00–15–00
To Three narrow Axes & a broad one	00–09–00
To 2 Addes, one of them Old	00–04–00
To A Spade, a hay knife & a Trowell	00–06–00
To 7 old narrow Axes	00–07–00
[149]	lb s d
To 5 bolts	00–06–00
To 4 Paire of Beetle Ringes & 7 wedges	00–10–00
To 3 Branding Jrons, 2 small files, & a Narrow Chizell	00–06–00
To A sharr & Coulter	00–10–00
To An old sharr & Coulter	00–03–00
To 6 Pitchforks & 3 Rakes	00–10–00
To old Jron	00–08–00
To The Jron for a hand Sidar Mill	00–05–00
To one spitt & 3 Curtaine Rodds & 3 paire of ffetters	00–18–00
To one Croscut saw, one hand saw & a ffroe	00–10–00
To 3 Augers, A drawing knife & a hammer	00–05–00
To 2 sithes, with tackling to them	00–10–00
To one Sickle & three Old ones	00–03–00
To 2 sides of lether	00–12–00
To A Pannell & 4 Meale Baggs	00–12–00
To Cart & Wheeles & Cart Tackling	01–15–00
To A Plough & Wheele Barrow	00–10–00
To A Logg Chaine, 2 draught Chaines, & 2 yoakes, & one Ring & stap|le|	01–07–00

To A halfe busshell, a Peck & halfe Peck	00–02–00
To A sledd & an Jron Bolt	00–06–00
To A yoake of Oxen	08–00–00
To 5 Cowes	12–10–00
To 5 three & vantage Steeres	12–10–00
To one Two & vantage steere	02–00–00
To 4 heiffers	08–00–00
To one two & vantage Bull	01–10–00
To 2 yearelings	02–00–00
To 6 Calves	03–00–00
To one horse	02–05–00
To one horse neere or about 30 yeares old	00–01–00
To some horses & Maares not yet found	00–00–00
To 12 Barrills of Sidar	04–16–00
To 2 Barrills of Peach Jyce	00–12–00
To A Grinding Stone & winch that turnes it	00–07–00
To Sum Cedar Clabbords & shingles	00–16–00
To 12 new Empty Barrill	01–04–00
To Lumber	01–16–00
To 12 Trenchers & 5 Spoones	00–06–06
To one hive of Bees	00–06–00
To Jndian Corne	03–04–00
To some wheat & Rie in stack	00–12–00
To Oates in Stack	00–13–00
To Oates threshed	00–02–00
To Cheese	00–18–00
To Butter	01–06–00
To 3 bushell of meale	00–06–00
To Almost a Barrill of Pork	02–08–00
To 6 yards of Sarge	01–04–00

To 5 yards of saloome	00–10–00
To 20 Pounds of sheepes wooll	01–00–00
To 2 meale sives, & 2 Riddle sives	00–06–00
To 2 Spining Wheeles & Cards	00–08–00
To A Cidar Mill & Press	03–00–00
To 29 loads of hay & a stack of Stalkes	20–12–00
To 4 shillings in Money More	00–04–00
To 5 Barrills of Beere	00–10–00
To A small Steele Trapp	00–02–00
Totall Sum	166–08–00

A True Jnventary, Errors Excepted
Taken by us the 2[d] day of November 1703:
Richard Browne,
Richard Waterman. /

At a Meeteing of the Towne Councill of Providence November the 12[f]: 1703 by Adjornment from November the 5[th]: 1703: the afore written Jnventary was by the Councill Examined & Allowed: / And if more Estate may yet be found it is to be Added unto this Jnventary;

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill

Recorded November the 20[th]: 1703: ℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of y[e] Councill. /

The Record of the letter of Administration granted to Thomas ffenner & Arthur ffenner Executors to the last will & Testament of their ffather Cap[tn]: Arthur ffenner As followeth. /

Whereas Capt[n]: Arthur ffenner of this Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in

the narraganset Bay in New England departed this life the 10th day of October in this present yeare 1703, And by his last will & Testament beareing date the 27th day of August in the yeare of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & three he Constituted & appoynted his two sons Thomas ffenner & Arthur ffenner his Executors to performe & Execute his said will; And the said Executors haveing Exhibited the said will, together With an Jnventary of their said deceased ffather [150] ffather his Estate unto the Towne Councill of said Providence for their Examination, Aprobation, & Allowance; The which said Will upon the 12f day of November in this present yeare 1703; was by the said Towne Councill Examined, & approoved, & the said Jnventary also Examined & allowed; And whereas you the said Thomas ffenner & Arthur ffenner haveing already given in bond to the said Towne Councill of said Providence for the true performeance & Executeing of the said Will & Testament; Wee Joseph Williams & william Hopkins Assistants, joyntly together with the rest of the said Towne Councill, doe all as wee are joyntly together the Towne Councill of said Providence, Comitt unto you Thomas ffenner & Arthur ffenner of said Providence, (Executors as aforesaid) full power of Administration upon the Estate of your said deceased ffather (so farr forth as the law impowereth us to doe:) And upon the said Estate to Administer, & the said will to performe, & Execute in all perticulars therein Contained (for you to doe,) in all poynts according to the true meaneing & intent of the Testator by the said Will & Testament. /

Dated, December the seventeenth Annoqe Domini, one Thousand seven hundred & three. /

By order, & on the behalfe of the Towne Councill of Providence

Wittnes Tho: Olney Clerk of the Council. /
Samuell Whipple
Edward Smith. /

Recorded December y^e 18^th^: 1703
℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of the Council. /

Here followeth an Jnventary of the Estate of Noah Whipple of Providence, deceased, who dyed the 10 day of November Anno: 1703. /

An Jnventary of y^e Goods & Estate of Noah Whipple deceased. /

	lb s d
To a yoake of Oxen	08–00–00
To three Cowes at 2^lb^: 10^s^ ℔ Cow	07–10–00
To two heifers at 2^lb^ 5^s^ ℔ heifer	04–10–00
To Two Calves	01–10–00
To one Bull at	01–01–00
To one horse	03–00–00
To Two Swine	02–00–00
To a Cart & Cart Tackling	06–10–00
To Horse Geeres	00–15–00
To a Plough & Clevice	00–12–06
To wedges & Rings	00–04–00
To three axes	00–09–00
To one axe	00–04–00
To an Adds	00–05–00
To Chizells, Plaines, hammer, Pinchers, & other small tooles	00–15–00
To a Gunn & Pistoll Barrill	01–00–00
To a paire of Stilliards	00–10–00
To a Grind stone	00–14–00

To Three old sithes & Tackling	00–06–00
To one drawing knife & two sickles	00–05–00
To fire shovell, Tongs, an old hoe, 2 ℔ Trammills	00–14–00
To three Pewter Platters & 4 Plates	00–17–00
To 4 Pewter Basons, a quart Pott & Cupp	00–12–06
To 6 Pewter Porringers, & i Plate, & 2 Cupps	00–14–00
To 5 Spoones, a Tunnill, & a lattin Pann	00–03–06
To 3 Spoones, & three Earthen dishes & 4 Glass bottles	00–04–00
To wooden dishes, Ladle & Trenchers, & a Morter	00–06–06
To an Jron Pott, Pott hookes, & Jron kettle, & brass skellett	00–13–00
To A Tubb & other Wooden vessells	00–05–00
To a ffrying pan, & a Porringer	00–02–00
To a Cherne, & milke vessells	00–03–06
To a Brass kettle, & 2 spinning Wheeles	00–19–06
To 2 Chests & a little Trunke	00–16–00
To a bedd & bedding, & bedd stood	08–00–00
To a warmeing pann, & sword	01–02–00
To his wareing Apparrill	06–00–00
To a womans weareing apparrill, & linnen	04–00–00
To Tobacco, fflax, & fflax seede, & sheepes wooll, & Cotten Wooll	02–00–00
To Jndian Corne	01–00–00
To a Bridle & saddle, Pillion, | & | Cradle & Cradle Cloath	01–19–00
To linnen & woollen yarne	00–12–00
To 3 Chaires and old Caske	00–07–06
To Butter & Cheese	01–06–00
To old Barrills & a spade	00–05–00

To hay & thatch	04–16–00
To three thousand of shingles	01–10–00

The abovesaid Noah Whipple died the Tenth day of November, 1703: sum totall 74–03–04 Errors Excepted,

There is a bull aboved summed in the Cullom of account at 1^{lb}–1^{s} But in the line said to be at i^{lb}–10^{s}– And if that in line be the Right, Then the sum totall is 74^{lb}–12^{s}–4^{d}:

[151] Samuell Whipple jun^{r}: Engaged to this Jnventary, that he Made a true apprisall of the Estate of his Brother Noahs, of what was presented to him & Edward Smith to be apprised; Engaged before me Jonathan Sprague, justice of y^{e} peace, y^{e} 17th: December 1703. /

At a Councill Meeteing of y^{e} Towne Councill of Providence December y^{e} 17th: 1703: Edward Smith of Providence appeared before the Councill and made oath to the Jnventary on the Other side of this Paper written, & that it was taken by himselfe & Samuell whipple jun^{r}: of sd Providence. /

Anphillis Whipple, Widdow of the late deceased Noah Whipple, personally appeared before the Towne Councill & made Oath to the Jnventary on the other side of this Paper written, is all the whole of the Moveable Estate of her deceased husband Noah Whipple, that shee knoweth of; And if more doe come to light, it shall be brought forth & Added to the said Jnventary:

The Jnventary on the other side of this Paper Written was by the aforesaid Samuell Whipple jun^{r}: & the aforesd Edward Smith taken and made December the first: 1703. /

At a Towne Councill meeteing December y^{e} 17th: 1703: the Jnventary on the other side of this Paper written was

Examined & Allowed by the Councill; Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Recorded December the 23^d^: 1703; ℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Whereas Noah whipple of the Towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England, departed this life upon the tenth day of November in y^e^ yeare one Thousand seven hundred & three; And dyeing intested, where by the Administration of his Estate fell to be the Care of the Towne Councill; And whereas the Towne Councill of said Providence at their Councill Meeteing upon the seventeenth day of December in this Presant yeare 1703: did Nominate Constitute & Appoynt you Samuell Whipple of the Towne of Providence aforesd (senior) ffather of the said Deceased Noah Whipple; And you Edward Smith of sd Towne of Providence brother |un|to the Widdow of the sd deceased Noah whipple, to be Administrators on the Estate of the said deceased Noah whipple, And also Gardians unto the heire of the said deceased Noah Whipple, & to have the Wardshipp of all his lands, & Proffitts thereupon ariseing & growing; Wee Joseph Williams, & William Hopkins Asistants, together with the rest of the Towne Councill of sd Providence, joyntly as wee all are the Towne Councill of said Providence; Doe by these presents Comitt unto you the sd Samuell Whipple & Edward Smith (so farr forth as the law impowereth us) full Administration upon the Estate of the said deceased Noah Whipple, & the Gardianshipp of his heire, & the Wardshipp of his lands & Hereditaments & Proffitts thereon, & therefrom Ariseing & growing; And on the same to Administer, Doe & Execute, and performe in all perticulars according as the law

Requires in such Cases to be done; And that from time to time you shall Render unto the Councill a True account of your acting & transacting in your sd Administration, when by the Councill Required; All which you haveing already given bond to the Councill for the performeance of. /

Dated December the 24th: 1703. / By order of the Towne Councill of Providence & on their behalfe,

Wittnes
Nathaniell waterman junr:
Epenetus Olney.

Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill

Recorded, Januarey the 20th: 1703/4:
℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill. /

The Record of the last will & Testament of Benjamin Whipple as followeth

I Benjamin Whipple of the Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in new England; being sick & weake of Body, but of Sound & perfect Memory, doe make this my last will & Testament; makeing Null & Revokeing all & every other Will at any time heretofore by me made either by word or writeing, & this Will only to stand in force.

Jmprimis

I doe Comit my spirit unto God who gave it, & My body unto the Earth, to be Decently buried, by my Executrix hereinafter named:

Jtem I doe Give & Devise all my lands at my home dwelling, (to say) my whole ffarme unto my two sons (namely) Benjamin Whipple, and John Whipple, to be Equally devided betweene them, to be unto them their Heirs & Assignes for ever.

Jtem I doe Give & Devise unto My son John whipple my dwelling house & land standing & being by the salt water side in said Towne of Providence, to be unto him his Heirs & Assignes for ever.

Jtem I doe Give & bequeath unto my loveing Wife Ruth Whipple, all & whole My Moveable Estate, Goods & Cattell; out of which sd Estate my said wife shall deliver & pay unto my aforesd two sons (to witt) Benjamin & John, Each of them three Milch Cowes, to be delivered unto them, as each one of them attaine to the age of Twenty | & | one yeares, & at | that | time; The which sd Cowes I doe Give & bequeath to Each of them.

Jtem I doe Give & bequeath unto My three Daughters (namely) Ruth Whipple Mary Whipple, & Abigall Whipple, Each of them three Tenn Pounds, and by their said Mother, my said Wife to be paid unto Each of them at the day of Each of their marriage, or within one Month after, or at the age of Twenty & one yeares; the which shall first be; And that all the Remainder of my | sd | Moveable Estate, after or besides the aforesd Legasyes shall wholy be at the dispose of my said wife for her owne.

Jtem I doe order & dispose all my aforesd Children to my said wife, unto her Tuission, care, Custody, bringing up & Provideing for, untill their Marriage; or the time of the age of Twenty one yeares, the which first Cometh; and [**152**] And that all my said Children shall be in subjection to their Mother my said wife;

Jtem I doe Give unto my sd wife the whole Proffitts & maniagement of all my sd lands & houseing untill my sd sones attaine unto y^{e} age of Twenty & one yeares; And when y^{e}

Eldest of my sd Sons (to witt) Benjamin doth attaine to the age of twenty & one yeares, then shall the sd land be devided unto Each of My sd sons his part; yet not withstanding I doe give unto my sd wife the one third part of all the Proffitts of my sd lands duireing the Time of her widdowhood; the which shall be one halfe of it out of one of my sons part, & the other halfe out of the other of My sons part; but if my said Wife doe againe, Marrie, then at her Marriage, then her sd third part of the Proffitts of sd lands, as to her shall wholy Tirminate & Cease, & be unto my sd two sons.

Jtem I doe give unto my son Benjamin Whipple my dwelling house in which I doe now dwell to be unto him his Heirs & Assignes for ever; And at the Time of his attaineing to the age of Twenty & one yeares, he shall & may Enter & possess the Westerne Part of said house; but all the Easterne part of the said dwelling house shall be unto my said wife for her vse dueiring of her Widdowhood; but when shee doth marrey, or depart this life, whichever; the|n| my said son shall Enter & possess that End of said house also.

Jtem I doe also give & bequeath my Barne & all my out houseing unto my sd son Benjamin whipple, his heirs & Assignes for Ever, to enter Possession & take it into his |hands| & improvement at Twenty & one years of age. /

Jtem And that My said son John Whipple shall enter Possession, & take into his Possession my aforesaid house & land in the Towne at the age of Twenty & one yeares.

Jtem But in Case it shall so fall with my wife that shee fall to Poverty & be not Capable to maintaine herselfe with what I have left her, then shall my sd two sons take the Care of her, & supply her wants with a suteable maintenance;

And that the aforesaid Tenn Pounds to be paid unto Each of my said three Daughters, is to be paid unto Each of them Tenn Pounds in money, or in other good pay which may be Equall with money.

Jtem I doe Constitute & appoynt my said loveing Wife Ruth whipple to be my sole Executrix, who shall receive all my debts to me from any Person due, & to pay all debts from me due to any Person, and to see my body decently buried, & truely to Execute and performe this my last Will & Testament according to the true meaneing & intent thereof; Jn wittnes thereof I doe hereunto set my hand & seale the Ninth day of March Annoq^{e} Domini, one Thousand, seven hundred & three; 1703/4. /

Signed, Sealed, & Published
in the presence of us, The mark of X Benjamin Whipple
Tho: Olney sen^{r}:
James Mathuson
James Olney,

At a Councill Meeteing Aprill the 12^{f}: 1704; The aforesd will & Teastament of the sd Benjamin Whipple, was by the Towne Councill of Providence Examined, & approved;

Jta, Testis Tho: Olney, Clerk of y^{e} Councill,

Recorded June the 10th, 1704: ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk of y^{e} Councill

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Here followeth the Record of the Jnventarey of y^{e} Estate of the deceased Benjamin Whipple, who died March y^{e} 11th: 1703/4.

This is the Jnventarey of y^{e} Estate of Benjamin whipple,

who departed this life march y^e^ Eleventh day in the yeare 1703/4. /

		lb	s	d
Jmprimis,	To silver money	01	06	00
Jt	To wareing Apparrill	06	00	00
Jt	To two Gunns & Amunition	02	03	00
Jt	Three ffeather bedds & furniture	24	00	00
Jt	six Basons, five platters, six Porringers, foure Pewter Potts	01	09	00
Jt	seven Glass Bottles, & one Curtlass one paire of stilliards	00	18	00
Jt	ffive Kettles, two Jron Kettles, two skellitts	01	16	00
Jt	Two Jron Potts, one ℔ of bellowes Tongs & fire shou|e|le	00	11	00
Jt	Six axes, two Trammills, one Jron barr	01	00	00
Jt	Yarne, fflax, & wooll	01	00	00
Jt	One Trunck, three Chests, two spinning wheeles	00	10	00
Jt	one Cradle, & six Chaires & hammers, & Pinchers	00	06	00
Jt	Two Augers, one Adds, one ffroe, & two Bells	00	08	00
Jt	Two Chizzells, one Drawing knife, one ffile	00	05	00
Jt	One hand saw, Three Hoes, one spade	00	10	06
Jt	Provision, Tallo, & Lumber in y^e^ Leantoo	02	11	00
Jt	Cloath, Corne, & Tobacco	02	11	00
Jt	Saddle & Pillion, Rie & Beanes	01	17	00
Jt	Soape, & Lumber in y^e^ Cellar	00	05	00
Jt	Two Carts & Cart Tackling & 2 Ploughs	01	08	00
Jt	Horse Tackling, Boards & Shingles	02	06	00

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		lb	s	d
Jt	To thirty sheepe	07	10	00
Jt	Eighteene head of Neat Cattell & one Horse	37	15	00

This Jnventarey is the Jnventarey of the Estate of Benjamin in Providence, Taken by us in the yeare 1703/4: March the 22: Sum Totall–99–05–11

Joseph Whipple
James Mathason

At a Councill Meeteing Aprill y^e^ 12^f^: 1704, the above Written Jnventarey was by the Towne Counill of Providence Examined & Allowed: As Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Recorded june the 13^th^: 1704 ℔ me Tho: Olney Clark of y^e^ Councill. /

Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to Ruth whipple, to Administer on the Estate of her deceased husband Benjamin Whipple, as shee is Executrix.

Whereas you Ruth whipple (widdow, & late wife of Benjamin whiple | of the Towne | of Providence in y^e^ Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England (deceased) Executrix to his last Will and Testament beareing date y^e^ ninth day of March Annoq^e^ Domini one thousand seven hundred & three 1703/4, haveing given bond to the Towne Councill of Providence aforesd, to performe & Execute your sd late husband his sd last will & Testament according as the law, of you doth Require; Wee the now Towne Councill of sd Providence, doe by these presents Comitt unto you full Power of Administration on the Estate of your sd deceased husband Benjamin Whipple, (so farr forth as the law impowereth us to doe) on the same to Administer, and as you are Executrix, the sd Will to performe, & in all poynts to Execute according to the true meaneing & intent thereof, as the doth

direct unto, & to Render up an account of your Administ unto the Councill from time to time, when by the Councill Required: Dated June the 2nd: 1704. By order & on the behalfe of the Signed, Sealed and delivered, in Towne Councill of Providence the presence of us;

Nicolas Sheldon Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill.

John Rice junr: Recorded June the 13th: 1704. ℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill. /

Here followeth the Record of ye Jnventarey of ye Estate of the deceased Samuell Winsor who died September ye 19th 1705:

	lb s d
At his old dwelling house	
Jn Kash	00–15–00
Jn the Shopp, Tooles, (viz) a vice, hand saw, 2 Joynters Croze Howell some small tooles, all	01–00–00
Cart wheeles & Jrons to them	02–00–00
One Bagg at	00–02–00
Dung forke Oyster Tongs, Old, at	00–06–00
Beetle & 4 wedges at	00–06–00
2 Old Axes & a great hammer at	00–10–00
A ffroe, small hand saw, & some old Jron tooles all at	00–07–00
2 Plaines in stocks & a wimble bitt & a piece of a Curtaine Rod at	00–02–09
A Burr, a Gouge, and old Auger at	00–05–00
One Jnch & halfe Auger, & a 3 quarter one at	00–04–00
A Dund forke & a Ring at	00–04–00
One Round file a Scrue plate & old Jron in a box at	00–03–00
2 old Plaines at	00–01–00
33 Sheepe & lambs at	17–18–00
ffive yeare old Cattell at	05–00–00

One Swine at	01–00–00
3 horses & halfe a maar & halfe a Colt	13–00–00
horse chaines & a small Chaine made of old Sithes at	00–17–00
5 Axes & an Jron Cro at	00–18–00
3 hoes & a Spade at	00–10–00
Oyster Rake 3 hammer & a hand Bill, old, at	00–05–00
Bell & Collor at	00–04–00
An Old Saddle at	00–03–00
2 Old Shovells & horse shackles	00–02–00
4 Sithes & Tackling to them, at	00–12–00
more, 4 old sithes, at	00–03–00
A Bell & Collor for sheepe	00–01–00
5 Old forke Tines, at	00–05–00
2 old Ploughes, at	00–15–00
Corne & Old Caske, at	00–09–00
wheele Timber, at	00–07–00
Leath Jrons, Linnen Wheele, Peck, Basket, & some old things with them in the Old Shopp, at	00–08–00
[154] Old Wheele Barrow, at	00–01–00
4 sheepe skinns, at	00–03–03
An ol Sidar mill & some ffish	00–08–00
An old Sidar Press & Tackling	00–09–00
One Ginding stone & Jron to it	01–00–00
Old Cask a Jarr & some old ware	01–00–00
Leather & old ffann	00–02–06
more leather, at	01–00–00
mallasses	01–08–00
18 load of hay	15–00–00
4 loade of thatch unmade	00–18–00
2 load of oates	02–10–00

fflax & hempe at	00–12–00
Apples	02–10–00
standing Corne, at	00–18–00
Apparrell, at	10–12–00
Neck Cloath & handkercherfs	00–08–00
Shirts	01–08–00
A Bed Stead & bedding on it	02–02–00
Blanketting Cloath, white, at	02–10–00
Bedd & bedding & bedstead, at	04–00–00
Dripping Pann Glall bott & other lumber in the Leanto Chamber	00–10–00
Baggs & winnowing sheete, at	00–06–00
Tobaco & yarne & hopps, at	00–08–00
white Leather & Barley, at	00–06–06
To wooll & yarne & other things in the Garret	03–03–00
One Chest in the Chamber	00–04–00
Jn the drawer under the Table	01–00–00
Table & bench, at	00–12–00
9 Napkins, at	00–18–00
4 Table Cloaths, at	01–00–00
9 sheets, at	04–10–00
6 Pillow beres, 2 bolster Cases	01–08–00
A Trundle bedstead & bedding, at	02–10–00
Bed Sted Tester, & beding & Curtains, at	08–10–00
3 chests, at	00–12–00
Old Case of Bottles, at	00–18–00
Looking Glass & brush & Lanthorne	00–12–00
To yarne	00–12–00
Trebble & Cettron, at	02–12–00
2 Swords & Belts & leather Bagg, at	01–03–00

A hatchell, at	00–06–00
A ffishing Nett	00–01–06
To Cards, at	00–06–00
Old Cubbard, at	00–03–00
warming Pann	00–08–00
2 juggs & Glass Bottles Combs & other things	00–06–00
Bookes & spectacles	01–00–00
A Gunn, at	00–16–00
Stilliards & Cane	01–00–00
Knives, Razor, Cissors, Candlesticks	00–06–00
7 Chaires & Cusshins with them	00–18–00
A great Brass Kettle	00–12–00
A Small Jron Kettle & Jron Skillett	00–08–00
A Brass Kettle	00–12–00
Great Jron Pott	00–07–00
A little Jroon Pott	00–04–00
A Bell mettle skellett, at	00–12–00
A Brass skellett, at	00–02–00
2 wooden Platters a wooden dish	00–02–00
A straining dish a Paile & a Piggin	00–01–04
Jron Spitt, at	00–05–00
Whalebone, at	00–08–00
Candles, at	00–02–06
ffriing Pann Old brass skellet & a Glass bottle, at	00–04–06
Hoggs fatt a Cann 2 Small Cask	00–02–06
2 Earthen Potts	00–01–08
Pork in a Barrill, & dry	01–10–00
A cubbard & 3 Glass bottles, at	01–03–00
2 Trammells	00–08–00

[155] A Trevett a paire of Pot hookes & an Ess hoke	00–03–00
A pair of Tongs ffire shovell, ffire sclice an Jron | creeper |	00–06–00
Grid Jron	00–03–00
A Chafeing dish	00–06–00
ffles fork & Bellowes	00–02–00
Bell mettle Morter & Pestle	00–06–00
5 Pewter Platters, at	00–13–00
A 3 pint Pott, at	00–04–00
2 old quart Potts, a Pewter pot	00–06–00
A fflaggon, at	00–04–00
A Pewter bottle, a Beker, a Salt Celar	00–02–00
6 Porrengers, at	00–07–00
one quart Bason, at	00–02–00
2 saucers a broken Porringer & a Glass cup a Glass | botle |	00–02–00
4 occamy spoones	00–01–06
2 Chamber Potts	00–04–00
3 silver Spoones a silver dramm Cup	02–10–00
At his ffarme in y^{e} woods,	
A brass screw tapp	00–02–06
A paire of Oxen, at	08–15–00
A paire of Oxen, at	07–00–00
A paire of Oxen, at	06–05–00
8 Cowes, at	20–00–00
4 heifers one steere & a Bull, at	09–15–00
3 yoakes & Tacklin	00–18–00
A Logg Chaine	00–18–00

A great breakeing up Plough, at	01–04–00
2 Draught Chaines, at	00–16–00
4 hoes, at	00–05–00
A mattuck & an Axe, at	00–08–00
3 Augers, at	00–03–00
A Gouge & 2 Chizells, at	00–07–00
4 Wedges an old Trewell, at	00–05–00
A sledge, at	00–04–06
Old box Jron, at	00–02–06
A paire of And Jrons, at	00–18–00
A Trammell, a small paire of Tongs	00–05–00
A horselock pair of shears with other small things all | at |	00–02–00
A joynter Plow & old Planes, at	00–12–00
Stubb Sithe, square, draw knife, Adds, & other small tooles, all	01–02–00
Trundle bedsted & bedding, at	01–05–00
Corne, at	00–07–00
A Bible & other bookes, at	00–12–00
Pewter & a stone jugg, at	00–09–06
2 Glass bottles	00–01–00
A yearelings skinn & a Calfes skinn,	00–02–00
Earthen Pott	00–01–00
wooden dishes	00–01–00
Trenchers	00–01–00
A paire of Jron Axeltree Pinns	00–03–00
A bagg & a wallett	00–04–00
A feather Bolster, at	00–08–00
A Bedd & bedsted with bedding & Curtaines	08–04–00

4 board loggs	00–08–00
4 Chaires	00–05–00
A chamber Pot at	00–01–00
5 Napkins, at	00–08–00
other linnen, at	00–02–06
An Old sheete & other things	00–03–00
Trayes & a cherne, at	00–08–00
A Tubb 2 Keilers & a Paile, at	00–05–06
3 old brass Kettles, at	01–10–00
A Barrill, at	00–01–00
ffrying Pann, at	00–03–00
Pott & Pott hookes	00–03–00
2 Jron Kettles, at	00–12–00
2 knives, at	00–01–00
2 Glass bottles 2 Cupps, at	00–01–00
A Grinding stone, at	00–02–00
Jndian Corne, at	08–00–00
[156]	lb s d
one Calfe, at	00–11–00
A Cart Rope, at	00–02–00
halfe a hive of Bees, at	00–05–00
9 load of hay, at	06–00–00
A Bull hide, at	00–07–00
A Servant Boy, at	10–00–00

This is a true Jnventarey of the Estate aforesd which was shewed to us to be apprized, according to the best of our vnderstanding; Taken & apprized this 25th of septembr: 1705, by us

Joseph Williams, Assistant
Jonathan Sprague
James Browne./

The 24th day of November 1705 Joseph Williams & Jonathan Sprague & James Browne who made this Jnventarey Personally appeared before the Towne Councill of Providence, & gave Attestation thereunto; Attests
Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill. /
This Jnventarey is by the Councill Allowed;
Attests Tho: Olney Clerke of ye Councill. /
Recorded November ye 30th: 1705
℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of ye Councill.

Here followeth the Record of the Letter of Administration by ye Councill Granted | to | Mercy winsor (widdow) & to her son Samuell winsor, to Administer on the Estate of ye deceased Samull: Winsor. /

Whereas Samuell Winsor of this Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England some time since departed this life, & leaveing an Estate behind him, but leaveing no Legall written Jnstrument whereby the sd Estate might be disposed; by reason whereof the Administration of the sd Estate Legally fell to the Care & disposition of the Towne Councill of sd Providence; And whereas you Mercy winsor (widdow of ye sd Samuell Winsor) & you Samuell Winsor (Eldest son of ye sd deceased Samull: winsor) have desired of the sd Towne Councill to take Administration (joyntly) on the said Estate, & haveing given bond unto the sd Councill for the true faithfull & legall Administration thereon; Wee the sd Towne Councill doe by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth us impower Comitt to you the sd Mercy winsor (widdow of ye sd

deceased Samuell winsor) & to you the sd Samuell Winsor (eldest son of the said deceased Samuell Winsor) vnto you both joyntly, the full Power of Administration on the Estate of the said deceased Samuell Winsor, thereon to Administer & there with to act, doe & Performe in your Administration on the sd Estate in all Poynts according as the law doth Require Administrators in such Cases to doe & performe; & to Render an account unto the Towne Councill of sd Providence from time to time of your actings & performance therein when by the Councill it shall be required.

Dated November y^e^ 28^th^: 1705. / By order of the Councill & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill

Recorded November y^e^ 30^th^: 1705

℔ me Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Here followeth the Record of the last Will & Testament of Major John Dexter who deceased the 23^d^ day of Aprill in the yeare 1706. /

I John Dexter of the Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in new England being sick & weake of Body yet through the great goodness, of Almighty God sound in vnderstanding & in Perfect Memory; And Considering the Mortalitye of all Mankind but more in Especiall of myselfe, Doe therefore see cause to make this my last will & Testament; makeing voyd & null all & every other Will & wills by me formerly made, & doe declare by these presents this to be my last will & Testament in forme & manner as followeth: ffirstly

[**157**] ffirstly, I bequeath my body to the Earth to be desently buried & my spirit unto God who gave it.

Jtem I Give & bequeath to my well beloved wife Alice all the Proffit & benefitt of My dwelling house & barne, with all my Orchards, improved lands & Meaddowes together with all my stock of Cattell of Every sort to be wholy at her dispose for the lookeing after & mainta|i|nan|ce| of my Honored Mother, & also for the Maintenance of & bringing up of my deare Children, untill such time as my son Stephen shall come to be of the age of Twenty one yeares; at which time my sd son Stephen shall have the Possession of the one halfe of the aforesd houseing, lands, Orchards, Meaddowes, & stock of Cattell, & the other halfe to be & Remaine to my sd loveing wife for the vse aforesd; for & dueiring her naturall life, Provided shee shall Remaine a Widdow; but in Case shee should Marry, then shee shall deliver vp & put into the Possession of my said Son Stephen the other halfe of the aforesd houseing, lands Orchards, Meaddowes, & stock of Cattell, at the time of her marriage, or of Stephen's coming of age, which shall last happen; And for the better vnderstanding hereof; The lands above mentioned to be to my son Stephen, are all those lands whereon my dwelling house now standeth, both improved & vnimproved, with all my Meaddow on the Norwesterne side of Moshawset River, which lieth above the Bridge Called Dexters Bridge, together with a sixty acre lott of land adjoyneing to the said Meaddow, as also a fifty acre lott adjoyneing to broad Pond; All which lands houseing, Orchards meaddow & stock of Cattell I doe Give & Devise to my sd Son Stephen his Heirs & Assignes for Ever in forme as aforesd.

Jtem, I Give & Devise to my Son James one of my hundred & fifty acre Lotts which lieth on the Westward side of the Seven mile line (which he shall see cause to Chuse) & the one halfe of the other hundred & fifty acre lott; All which Lott & halfe to be & Remaine to my sd James, his Heirs & Assignes forever.

Jtem, I Give & Devise to my son John All that my Right of Lands, Orchards & Meaddowes which I bought of Jahleel Brenton, the which formerly did belong to John Throckmorton, as also all my Meaddow on the westerne or Norwesterne side Moshawsett River, which lieth below the aforesd Bridge; As also a six acre lott of land which I bought of Ephraim Prey, adjoyneing to the land of Henry Adams; And further I doe give to my said son John the one halfe of a hundred & fifty acre Lott of land on the west side of the aforesd seven Mile line; all which Lands, Orchard & meaddowes above Mentioned to be given to my son John, I doe Give & Devise to my sd Son John, his Heirs & Assignes forever.

Jtem I Doe give & bequeath to my three Sons Stephen, James, & John all my Rights of Comonage throughout the Towne of Providence to be Equally to them their Heirs and Assignes forever.

And further | I doe Order, & | my will is that in Case it should please God to take away by death Either of My sons before they are come to have their lands in their Possession, that then his lands be Equally devided betweene his surviveing brethre|n|

Jtem I doe Give & Devise to my Well beloved Wife that forty acres of land which was given to her by her ffather to be wholy at her dispose; And as for what monies I have, I doe

Order and my Will is that my Well beloved Wife shall have ffifty Pounds to be wholy at her dispose.

Jtem I doe give & bequeath to Each of my beloved daughters Twenty Pounds in Current silver Money of New England to be paid unto Each of them by my Executrix as they attaine to the age of one & Twenty yeares, or at the day of their mariage, which may first happen. And for what monies as shall be left after My just debts & the aforesaid Legacyes are paid, My will is that it be Equally devided amongst all my Children: And

[**158**] And I doe further order that in Case Hannah Sprague doe tarrey With my Wife & be helpefull to her in the lookeing after my Honored Mother dueiring the time shee Remaines in the land of the liveing, that then the sd Hannah Sprague be paid out of My Estate Tenn Pieces of Eight over & above her Wages; And further my Will is that my Well beloved Wife shall have all my household Goods for her vse, & to be at her dispose: And further I doe order Constitute & appoynt my Well beloved Wife to be my sole Executrix to performe this my last Will, and to Pay all My just debts, & to Receive all Moneys due unto me from any Person or Persons whatsoever:

Jn Wittness whereof I doe hereunto set my hand & seale this fifteenth day of Aprill, in the yeare of Our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & six. /

Memorandum, The words, at the time of her Marriage or of Stephens Coming to age, which shall last happen; betweene the sixteene & seventeenth line; and the words, to be to my Son Stephen, betweene the seventeene & Eighteenth lines, were interlined before the Ensealeing of these presents; the

word twenty in the 48 line was Rased out, & the word Tenn, put in before the Ensealeing of these presents. also. /

Signed Sealed & declared by the sd John Dexter to be his last will and Testament, in the presence of; } John Dexter

Giddion Cruffurd
Benjamin Smith
Joseph Jenckes jun^{r}:

Jt is My desire & I doe appoynt my loveing frends, my Brother in law John Smith Capt^{n}: Thomas ffenner Capt^{n}: Sam^{ll}: wilkenson & Leif^{tt}: Joseph Jenckes to be the overseers of this My last Will & Testament. /

The above written Will was by the Towne Councill oof Providence at their Councill Meeteing May the 20th: 1706 Examined, & by them approved to be the last will & Testament of the abovesaid John Dexter; As attests

Tho: Olney Towne Clerk, & Clerk of the Councill. /

Here followeth the Record of y^{e} Jnventarey of the deceased Major John Dexter.

An Jnventarey of all the Goods Cattell & Chattles of the deceased Major John Dexter who departed this life Aprill the 23^{d}: 1706; Taken & Apprised on the 10th & 11th of this instant May 1706: by us whose Names are hereunto subscribed. /

	lb	s	d
Jmp: To weareing Apparrill	09	01	06
To a Cane 14^{s}; to a sword & belt 4^{lb}–6^{s}– To a sword & belt 16^{s}	05	02	00
To a Horse, saddle, bridle, Boots, & spurrs & Portmantle	11	10	00

To Goods in the North Chamber, A bedd & bedding & bedsteed	10–00–00
To 3 Coverlids 3^{lb}: 18^{s}: & a Remnant of senbrigs 16^{s}	04–14–00
To Remnants of Cambrick & muzling & scotish Cloath	01–16–00
To Pewter, Plates, Basons & Porringers	01–16–00
To knives 3^{s}: a chamber Pott, & Curry Comb	00–06–06
To 21 Halters & three bedd Cords	01–08–00
To an Old Carpet & some small Remnants of Cloath	00–06–00
To a Remnant of black Crape	01–00–00
To a Chest 2 chars & cusshins	00–11–00
To goods in the North lower Roome To one bedd, bedding & bedd stood	09–00–00
To one Chest 5^{s}: & 6 ℔ of sheets 4^{lb}: 10^{s}	04–15–00
To 6 paire of Pillo beirs	01–00–00
To 2 small Table Cloaths & one dozen Napkins	01–04–00
To 7 Pewter Platters i^{lb}–4^{s}– & 3 Pewter Plates 3^{s}	01–07–00
To a Pewter Tanker 6^{s} & two Poringers & i beker 2^{s}	00–08–00
To two silver Dram Cupps	00–15–00
To Glass bottles, glass Cupps, one jugg, 2 Earthen dishes	00–09–06
To a Table Carpet & Chaires	01–02–00
[159]	lb s d
To a looking Glass	00–06–00
To a Concordance with severall other bookes	01–17–00
To foure Gunns	04–10–00
To one paire of fire Tongs & one Chamber Pott	00–05–06
To Goods in the west Chamber & Porch Chamber	
To one Bedd Bedding & Bedd steed	09–00–00
To one Bedd Bedding & Bedd steed	05–00–00

To a small Trundle bedd & bedding	02–00–00
To sheeps wooll fflax & yarne	01–10–00
To board Nailes & shingle Nailes & a paire of Old shears	01–10–00
Jn the East Chamber, wheat Barley & a Bell	01–03–00
To a Chest & other Lumber	00–05–00
To Goods in y^e^ lower West Roome,	
To five Pewter Platters i^lb^–4^s^ : & 4 small Plates & a salt siler | 7^s^ |	01–11–00
To Old Small Pewter	00–13–00
To 4 old Candlesticks, an old fflaggon & 3 old Potts	00–13–00
To Tongs fire shovell, And jrons, fire fork, & 3 ℔ Tramills	01–07–00
To a Spitt, two Tables, five old Chaires, & Cradle Three joynt Stooles, & a paire of Bellowes	01–03–00
To linnen yarne	01–04–00
Jn y^e^ leaneto, two Jron Potts & Pots hookes & frieing Pan	01–03–00
To Biefe & Porke	03–17–00
To Tubbs, bowls, Keilers, Trayes & other Lumber	01–00–00
To three Spining Wheeles 6^s^ : Tallow & Candles 8^s^	00–14–00
Jn the East lower Roome, a Trundle bed a chest of | old linnen |	01–10–00
Kitchen, To two Old brass Kettles & one Jron Kettle	01–10–00
To an Old saddle & Pillion & Male Pillion	00–18–00
To two pair of Stilliards	01–04–00
To Rye & Oates	02–05–00
To Tobacco	10–16–00
To Old sithes & sith tackling, a square & Curry Comb	00–13–00

To Carpenters Tooles	01–15–00
To Jndian Corne	03–00–00
To Cart & Plough with the Tackling	02–16–00
To horse tackling, a spade, hoes, Beetle & Wedges	01–04–00
To a Crow, three Old Axes & a Grind stone	01–08–00
To Pitchforks	00–05–00
To 16 Barrills of Sidar	07–04–00
To woosted	00–08–00
To she|e|pe & Cattell,	
To 56 sheepe & 30 lambs	19–16–00
To ii Cowes	27–10–00
To 4 foure yeare old steeres	11–00–00
To 3 three yeare old steers, & 3 thre yeare old heifers	11–00–00
To 7 two yeare olds, & three yearelings	11–05–00
To 7 Calves 2^{lb}, & a yoake of oxen 7^{lb}–5^{s}	09–13–00
To 25 Goates & 7 Kidds 8^{lb}–4^{s}: five swine at 2^{lb}	10–04–00
To a Bull	01–15–00
To Cash	168–00–00
To severall bills for money lent, amounting to	337–18–06
more by two bills	005–10–00
The sum totall is	757–19–06

the above written is a just appriseall of all the goods which was brought to our vew, according to the best of our judgement as wittnes our hands.

Richard Arnold
Samuell Wilkinson
Joseph Jenckes jun^{r}:
John Smith. /

Richard Arnold, Samuell Wilkinson Joseph Jenckes jun^{r}: & John Smith who tooke & Made the aforewritten Jnventarey on the two Pages of this sheete of Paper, Personally appeared

before the Towne Councill of Providence at their Councill Meeteing May the 20th: 1706 & made Oath to the aforesd Jnventarey,

Alice Dexter Widdow of the late deceased John Dexter also Personally appeared before the Councill & upon Oath declared that this Jnventarey Containeth all & whole the moveable Estate of her deceased husband John Dexter, that shee knoweth of; & if that any more shall at any time Come to her knowledg|e| it shall be added to this Jnventary.

This Jnventary was by the Councill held may the 20th: 1706, Examined & Allowed; Attest Tho: Olney Towne Clerk & Clerk of the Councill: /

160 Here followeth the Record of the letter of Administration to Alice Dexter, (Widdow). /

Whareas you Alice Dexter (Widdow) & late wife of Major John Dexter (who is Now deceased) of the Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England, was by the last Will & Testament of your said deceased husband John Dexter beareing date the fifteenth day of Aprill, in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & six Constituted made & appoynted his Executrix; And whereas you have given in bond to the Towne Councill of sd Providence for the true & faithfull Executeing of the sd will in all perticulars, wee william Hopkins & Joseph Williams Assistants together with the Rest of the Towne Councill of said Providence, Doe now by these presents (so farr forth as the law doth impower us) Comit unto you the said Alice Dexter full Power of Administration on the Estate of your sd deceased husband John Dexter, on the same

to Administer, & the sd Will truely to Execute in all poynts according as the law directs; & as an Executrix ought to doe, all things to performe according to the true Meaneing & intent of sd Will. /

Dated May y^e^ 28^th^: 1706. / By order & appoyntment of the Councill & on their behalfe
Tho: Olney Towne Clerk, &
Clerk of the Councill

Recorded May y^e^ 30^th^: 1706: ℔ me Tho: Olney Towne Clerk & Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Here followeth the Record of the last will & Testam^t^: of Thomas Barnes of Providence, (deceased) who died the 24^th^ of September 1706. /

Jn the Name of God Amen, I thomas Barnes of the Towne of Providence in her Majestys Colloney of Rhode Jslan and Providence Plantations in New England, but now Resident in Swansey in the County of Bristoll, haveing been long Exercised with griveous bodily Paines & sores, but My Memory being firme; and lookeing shortly for my departure hence into a state of Eternity; Doe make this for My last will & Testament to dispose of that little Estate I have; And first I Comend My Soule into the armes of my blessed Savior & Redeemer Christ Jesus, & my body to y^e^ Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in Such Christian manner as to my Executors shall seeme Meete; And that then after My ffunerall Expences being discharged, that then my debts which I owe be duely paid to the utmost of my Estate; & Especially to my Carefull & kind Doctor M^r^ James Tallman; And my loveing Brother in law Thomas Allen; Jtem I give My son Thomas to John

Stone of Warwick till he be Twenty yeares of age; And whereas my Daughter Mary is bound to m^rs Elizabeth Barnes till shee be Eighteene yeares of age & not to her Assignes; if it so happen that the said Elizabeth dye before my daughters lawfull age, I give her to my Executor hereafter named; and for the Rest of My Estate (if any be) I give & bequeath it to my Executor; Not doubting, but Confideing in & love to my Poore Children, And Whereas My Estate liees in Percells, none knowing so well about it as my loveing Brother Peter Barnes, I order, Make & appoynt him said Peter Barnes sole Executor of My last Will & Testament,

Jn wittness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seale this Twentieth day of September Anno: Dom: one thousand seven hundred & six. /

Signed Sealed & declared in y^e Presence of us Wittness
Benony Price
Thomas Romington
George Cuthbert, /

Thomas Barnes

At a Towne Councill Meeteing of y^e Towne of Providence met by adjornment November the 8^th, 1706, the abovesd Benony Price, Thomas Romington & George Cuthbert Personally appeared before y^e Towne Councill & as witnesses made Oath to y^e abovesd Will. / The 8^th of november 1706; the abovesd Will was by the sd Towne Councill Examined & approoved;

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e Councill.

[161] Thomas Barnes deceased in Swansey in September 24: 1706. The said Thomas Barnes belonged to y^e Towne of Providence. The Jnventarey of the sd Thomas Barnes his Estate is as followeth, it being taken in two parts where it was

found, the one part at Swansey & y^e^ other Part at Providence, & is here Recorded all together. /

Purse & Apparrill		04–18–01
Jt	Bedd & furniture	06–00–00
Jt	Bridle & saddle	00–07–00
	Apprised by Joshua Smith & Benony Price	11–05–01
	A yoake of steeres & two Cowes	10–00–00
Jt	A Mare	02–15–00
Jt	A Kittle & ffrying Pann	01–12–00
Jt	Carpenters Tooles	01–02–00
Jt	A Gun, Armes	01–12–00
Jt	A Beddstedd & Bedding	03–00–00
	Apprised by John Guile & Benjamin Wight.	20–01–00
	Sum totall, Errors Excepted	31–06–01

Examined & Allowed by y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence november the 8^th^: 1706: Attests Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ coun|cill|

Here followeth the Record or Coppye of a letter of Administration from the Towne Councill of Providence to Peter Barnes to Adminester on the Estate of his deceased Brother Thomas Barnes; Whereas you Peter Barnes of this Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in the Narraganset Bay in New England were by the last Will & Testament of your late deceased Brother Thomas Barnes made & appoynted his Executor: And you haveing already given in bond unto us the Now Towne Councill of sd Providence the sd Will & Testament to Execute &

Performe; The which beareth date the Twentieth day of September Anno: Dom: one Thousand seven hundred & six; These are therefore (so farr forth as the law doth impower us the sd Town Councill) fully to impower you the sd Peter Barnes to take into your Care & Custody the whole Estate of your sd Thomas Barnes (deceased) & on the same to Administer & dispose according as the sd Will directs & Requires, & the sd Will to Execute according as the law in all poynts Requires & directs according to the true meaneing & intent of sd will and Testament; & to render an account of your actings therein unto y^e^ Councill when by them Required;

Dated november y^e^ 28^th^: 1706./ By order of y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence, & on their behalfe Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill

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Here followeth the Record of the last will & Testament of Andrew Edmonds;

I Andrew Edmunds of the Towne of Providence in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in New England being very sick & weake of Body, but yet of Sound & Perfect memory doe make this to be my last will & Testament hereby Makeing voyd & null all & every former will by me at any time Made either by word or Writeing, & this will only to be in force.

Jmprimis I Doe Give & devise unto My son Andrew Edmunds, to him & his Heirs for ever all My lands in said Providence lieing at & about the place called the Narrow Passage, with the Privelidges of the fferrey there; But in Case that

he my said should dye before he doe Attaine to Twenty & one yeares of Age, or doe dye without Jsshue then the said land & fferrey shall be unto my two Sones (to wit) william & Joseph Edmunds & their Heirs for ever; & that they two Each shall have Power to sell his Part each to other if it fall [un|to them; As also my house upon the said land I doe give & devise as I have before disposed the said lands; Alwayes Provided; And I doe give & bequeath unto my loveing Wife Mary Edmunds, all the vse Proffitt & income of my said house lands & fferrey untill my sd son Andrew attaines to the age of Twenty & one yeares, & then for the said house, land & fferrey to fall into the hands of My said Son Andrew; But Never the less my said Wife Mary Edmunds shall have her abode & dwelling in the said house & also the third Part of the said lands & fferrey (that is to say) of the Proffitts thereof duireing the time of her Widdowhood, or whilst shee [**162**] shee Remaines vnmarried. /

Jtem My will is that my said Son Andrew Edmunds shall within five yeares after he doth Attaine to the age of Twenty & one yeares, Pay unto his two brethren (to witt) William & Joseph each of them fforty shillings; And to each one of his sisters thirty shillings Also that my weareing Apparrill & all my Workeing Tooles shall be to my Wife, but not to be sold to any Person, vnless great Necessetye Require, but Rather that my Children may injoy them if Conveniently it may so be;

Jtem All the Rest of My Estate whatsoever, I doe give & bequeath unto my said loveing Wife to be her Owne; vnto whose Care & dispose I doe Comitt all my Children And doe make Ordaine & Appoynt my said loveing wife Mary EdMunds to be my Executrix to receive all debts to me due & Pay

all my debts & see my Body to be desently Buried; & to Execute & Performe this my will acording to the true Meaneing & intent thereof; And I doe desire & Appoynt | my loving friends | Cap^{tn}: William Hopkins, Epenetus & Thomas Olney to be my overseers of this my Will investing them with Power to see matters disposed acording as I have herein Exprest; Jn wittnes whereof I doe hereunto set my hand & seale the Twenty & Second day of July in the yeare one thousand six hundred Ninty & five. / Andrew Edmonds

Signed & Sealed
in the presence of us
Tho: Olney
William Hopkins
Epenetus Olney:

The Endorsment;
The will on the other side of this Paper Written hath the 13th day of August 1695 by the Towne Councill of Providence | been | Examined, & is by the said Councill Approved;
Attests
Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /
Recorded ℔ Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /

The Record of y^{e} deceased Gideon Crawford his last will & Testament: as followeth. /

I Gideon Crawffurd of y^{e} Towne of Providence in the Colloney of Rhode Jsland & Providence dence Plantations in New England being very sick & weake of Body but but (through Mercy) of sound & perfect memory, Doe make this my last Will & Testam^{t}: Hereby makeing Null & voyd all & every former & other Will at any time by me made by word or writeing & this will only to stand in force /

Jmprimis,

I doe Comitt my Spiritt unto God who gave it & my body

to y^e^ Earth to be desently buried by my Executrix herein after Named. /

2ndly My Dwelling house in sd Providence Towne & my out housing there, as my Ware houses & Barne, & y^e^ Lotts of land whereon the stand & unto them adjoyneing & also all my lands in y^e^ place Called y^e^ Neck, the one halfe of y^e^ sd dwelling house & out houseing, & of said lands I doe Give & dispose unto my loveing wife ffreelove Crawffurd, to be for her vse, beneffitt, & improvement, for & duiring y^e^ whole terme of her Naturall life, & at her decease, the said one halfe of the dwelling house & sd other houseing & sd halfe o[ ] the lands in y^e^ neck shall be unto that my son who[ ] said wife shall desire & appoynt to dwell in sd house with her, to be unto him his Heirs & Assignes forever; the other halfe of my sd dwelling house & sd out housi[ ] & said lands both that adjoyneing to sd housing, & t[ ] other halfe in y^e^ Neck to fall into y^e^ hands & poss[ ]ion of that my son which my sd wife appoynts to dwell with her, when he shall attaine to y^e^ age of Twenty & one yeares to be unto him his heirs & Assignes forever, & in the meane while, my sd wife to have the Proffitts of all; And in Case that my sd wife shall make choyce of My son william Crawfurd to dwell with her & hee doth accep[ ] thereof, Then shall my sd son william Crawff[ ] Pay unto his Brother John Crawffurd one hundred Pound [**163**] Pounds in money Current when his sd Brother shall attaine to the age of Twenty & one yeares;

And as for all other my lands of what sort so ever lieing & being within y^e^ aforesd Towneshipp of sd Providence or in any other Place or Places, my Will is, That they shall be Equally devided betweene my two sons, William Crawffurd &

John Crawffurd to be unto them their heirs & Assignes for ever; And also my Will is that all the lands adjoyneing to the sd houses Shall & that my lands in y^e^ Neck, be accounted in y^e^ sd devision with my other lands; & for so much as those lands about my sd houseing & in y^e^ Neck shall be adjudged acre for acre better than out lands, then he that hath the house & those lands adjoyneing shall allow his brother the over pluss of the value in out lands:

Jtem I doe Give & bequeath unto my Daughter Anne Crawffurd ffifty Pounds in Money Current, to be paid unto her at y^e^ time when shee hath attained to y^e^ age of Twenty & one yeares, or at y^e^ day of her Marriage which shall first come:

Jtem I doe Give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Crawffurd ffifty Pounds in Mony Current to be paid unto her at the time when shee hath attained to the age of Twenty & one yeares, or at y^e^ day of her Marriage which shall first Come.

Jtem, I doe Give & bequeath unto my loveing Wife ffreelove Crawfurd all My Moveable Estate of what sort so ever, all my Goods, moneys, Cattell & Chattells; that after all my debts & funerall Expences are all paid & discharged shall be unto her, & shee the same to despose of according as shee shall see Cause amongst & unto my Children, & unto the Care & Custody of my said Wife I doe Comitt for their Tuission & bringing up; And I doe make Ordaine & Appoynt my said loveing wife ffreelove Crawffurd to be my Executrix & also my loveing brothers in law Capt^n^: Thomas ffenner, & Arthur ffenner, & my Cousin Richard Waterman jun^r^: to be my Executors of this my last will & Testament, my sd Executrix with y^e^ Assistance of my sd Executors, or by her owne Power as Executrix to Recover & Receive all debts to me from any per-

son due, & to pay all debts from me due to any Person; & to see my body desently buried, & truely to Execute this my last will & Testament according to the true Meaneing and intent thereof;

Jn Wittness Whereof I have here unto sett my hand & seale, the seventh day of October Anno: Domini, one Thousand seven hundred and seven:

Signed Sealled & Published,
in ye presence of us
Richard Bowen
John Whipple
James Olney.

The mark of X Gideon Crawffurd

November ye 5th: 1707, This will was by ye Towne Councill of Providence Examined & approved,

Attests Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /

Recorded November ye 8th: 1707, ℔ Tho: Olney Towne Clerk. /

Here followeth ye Record of ye Jnventarey of the Estate of ye deceased Gideon Crawffurd;

An Jnventarey of ye Estate of Mr Gideon Crawffurd of Providence who departed this life ye tenth day of October 1707. /

Jmprimis,	To his weareing Apparrell	20–07–00
Jt	To silver Money	16–09–10
Jt	To Table Cloaths & Napkins	02–00–00
Jt	To Mony due by bills & bonds	775–10–00
Jt	To 5 good fether bedds & furniture	60–15–00
Jt	To Window hangers	00–12–00
Jt	To Plate	15–11–00
Jt	To Tables & Carpetts	06–07–00

[164]	Jt To Pewter & brass	10–17–00
Jt	To Jron vtensells	04–05–00
Jt	To Chaires	04–00–00
Jt	To 2 Cubbards & Capetts	05–10–00
Jt	To 2 Trunckes	00–12–00
Jt	To i Saddle, i lookeing glass foure Cains	03–06–00
Jt	To Swords Pistolls & holdsters & other small Armes	10–18–00
Jt	To Brass hand Jrons & Earthen waare	01–14–00
Jt	To Jndian Corne	02–00–00
Jt	To Bookes	01–02–00
Jt	To a Boat, out of Repare	07–05–00
Jt	To shopp Goods	355–09–00
Jt	To sheepe	13–13–00
Jt	To 2 negroes	56–00–00
Jt	To 2 horses	18–00–00
Jt	To Hoggs	03–04–00
Jt	To hay & other ffodder	08–05–00
Jt	To fflatt bottomed Boat	01–15–00
Jt	To Wooden lumber, i Warming Pann	01–18–00
Jt	To bookes	01–10–00
Jt	To 2 Ginstones	00–12–00
Jt	To Biefe hides & Tallow	49–04–00
Jt	To Sidar	41–10–00
Jt	To Cheese & Butter	29–03–04
Jt	To Cattell	35–15–00
Jt	To an Old Cart	01–00–00
Jt	To an Old Sithe	00–02–00
	Sum Totall, Errors Excepted, Booke Debts not yet Posted. /	1556–01–02

A faire Jnventarey according to y^e^ best of our vnderstanding, Taken by us, William Hopkins, Nathaniell Waterman jun^r^: Richard Browne

The abovesd Jnventary was by y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence Examined November y^e^ 5^th^ 1707:

Attests Tho: Olney Towne Clerk; /

Recorded December y^e^ 6^th^: 1707: ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of y^e^ letter of Administration on y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased Gideon Cra|w|ffurd; /

Whereas Gideon Crawffurd late of y^e^ Towne of Providence in y^e^ Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in y^e^ Narraganset Bay in New England (now deceased) departed this life on y^e^ tenth day of October Anno: One Thousand seven hundred & seven, & leaveing a Written will & Testament as to y^e^ disposition of his Estate beareing date the seventh day of October Anno, Domini: one Thousand seven hundred & seven, the which said Will & Testament hath by y^e^ Towne Councill of sd Providence been Examined & Prooved; And Whereas ffreelove Crawffurd wife of sd Gideon Crawffurd (now Widow) was made Executrix to y^e^ sd Will, & Capt^n^ Thomas ffenner, & Arthur ffenner, & Richard Waterman (jun^r^:) all of sd Providence, together with her Made Executors to sd will; And bond haveing already been given in unto sd Towne Councill for y^e^ true and legall Executeing & Performeing of y^e^ same; Wee the now Towne Councill of sd Providence (to weet) Joseph Williams Assist^nt^, together with the Rest of y^e^ sd Towne Councill Doe by these presents (so farr forth as y^e^ law impowered us) Comitt unto you ffreelove Crawffurd Executrix, & Capt^n^ Thomas ffenner & Arthur ffen-

ner & Richard Waterman (junior) Executors to y^e^ sd last will, the full Power of Administration on y^e^ Estate of y^e^ sd deceased Gideon Crawffurd, the sd Will to Execute & truely to performe in all perticulars according as the law in such Cases doth direct, & from time to time to render an account [**165**] of your proceeds therein when thereunto Required;

By order & appoyntment of the Councill & on their behalfe Tho: Olney Towne Clerk

Dated y^e^ sixt day of December 1707;

Recorded ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk

Here followeth y^e^ Record of y^e^ Jnventary of John wilkinson of Providence deceased; His Estate.

A True Jnventary of all & singular the Goods Chattells & Creadits which were brought to our vew of y^e^ Estate of John wilkinson who deceased Aprill y^e^ 10^th^, 1708, Apprised y^e^ 26^th^ of Aprill 1708 by us whose names are hereunto subscribed, & is in Manner & value as followeth. /

		lb	s	d
Jmprimis	To his weareing Apparrill & Cane	19	15	00
Jt	To beds & beding, Table linnen Chests & other goods in y^e^ north Roome	18	15	00
Jt	Jn y^e^ north Chamber a bed, bedsteed & furniture & wheat, Rye, feathers & other things	06	11	00
Jt	Jn y^e^ East Chamber a bed & bed steed & furniture with graine & other things	08	18	00
Jt	Jn the lower East Roome, in Pewter, brass Potts & Kettells & other household vttensells	17	18	00
Jt	Jn y^e^ leantoo, frying pann milk vessells with other Lumber	02	00	00
Jt	Jn y^e^ Cellar, in Cidar, Pork Tobacco & Caske	09	15	00

Jt	Jn y^e^ West Chamber, two bedds with furniture, with some Cloath, Graine, & other things	19–16–00
Jt	Jn y^e^ Garrett, in Tobacco flax & some Tooles	21–14–00
Jt	Jn the Lower west Roome, in Tables, formes, Chairs wheels vtensells for y^e^ fire, some meat, & some Tobacco	05–16–00
Jt	To Joyners Tooles	03–12–00
Jt	To | Coopers | Tooles	01–14–00
Jt	To Carpenters Tooles	02–13–00
Jt	To Husbandry Tooles, as Cart, wheeles Plowes, Chaines harrowes, yoakes, hoes, Axes, Pitch-forks, grindstone, spades	16–08–00
Jt	To Jndian Corne in y^e^ Cribb & Rye in y^e^ barne	10–09–00
Jt	To Deale boards	01–01–00
Jt	To Swine	04–10–00
Jt	To a horse, Bridle & saddle	01–10–00
Jt	To 29 head of Neat Cattell	58–06–00
Jt	To 12 Calves	03–12–00
Jt	To Coopers staves	00–14–00
Jt	To a Piece of Drugget at y^e^ fullers, & a Piece at y^e^ weavers	07–10–00
Jt	To a negro youth	30–00–00
Jt	To severall perticulars in y^e^ Clossett	00–18–00

Aprill y^e^ 30^th^ 1708, y^e^ abovesd Eliezer Arnold
Jnventary was by y^e^ Towne Councill, John Angell
at their Councill meeteing Examined, Sam^ll^: wilkinson
Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. / Joseph Jenckes jun^r^:
Recorded May y^e^ 4^th^, 1708, ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

The Record of Deborah wilkenson, her letter of Administration, as followeth;

Whereas John Wilkinson of this Towne of Providence in y^e^ Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in new England departed this life y^e^ 10^th^ day of Aprill 1708: & dying intested whereby y^e^ Administration of his Estate fell to y^e^ Care & dispose of y^e^ Towne Councill of sd Providence,

And whereas you Deborah Wilkinson, widdow of y^e^ sd John Wilkinson have desired to take y^e^ Administration on y^e^ Estate of your sd deceased husband, & the Councill haveing unto you granted y^e^ same; And you haveing given bond to y^e^ Councill for y^e^ legall & true performance thereof; Therefore wee the now Towne Councill of sd Providence, doe Now by these Presents Comitt unto you Deborah Wilkinson, Widdow & late wife of y^e^ deceased John wilkinson of sd Providence the whole Power of Administration on the Estate of your sd deceased husband John Wilkinson so farr forth as y^e^ law doth us impower; you on y^e^ same to Administer, & legally to act doe & performe in all perticulars according as y^e^ law in such cases doth Require; and to Render an account of your Administration thereon unto y^e^ Councill from time to time when by them Required: /

Dated May y^e^ Eighteenth day one thousand seven hundred & Eight. /

By order of y^e^ Town Councill of Providence & on their behalfe, Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill. /

Recorded June y^e^ 10^th^: 1708: ℔ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

[166] At a Meeting of y^e^ Councill Aprill y^e^ 30^th^: 1708. /

Whereas John wilkinson of this Towne of Providence departed this life on y^e^ 10^th^ day of this Jnstant Aprill 1708;

& dying intested his widdow Deborah Wilkinson caused an Jnventary to be taken of her sd deceased husband his Estate; the which sd Jnventarey the sd Deborah Wilkinson hath this day presented unto y^e^ Councill for Examination; the which Jnventarey beareth date the Twenty sixt day of Aprill 1708, & was Apprized by Eliezer Arnold, John Angell Samuell Wilkinson & Joseph Jenckes junior; Deborah Wilkinson Widdow of y^e^ aforesaid deceased John Wilkinson gave her Attestation upon Oath that the abovesd Jnventarey Containes all y^e^ Estate Moveable, of Goods & Cattell which belonged to her aforesd deceased husband, John Wilkinson, that shee knoweth of, & if at any time more come to her knowledge it shall be brought forth and added to said Jnventary: The abovesd Eliezer Arnold, John Angell Samuell Wilkinson & Joseph Jenckes jun^r^: have also made Oath to y^e^ abovesd Jnventary as to what was brought to their vew; The Administration of y^e^ sd Estate hath by the Councill been tendred to y^e^ sd Widdow & shee hath thereof accepted: Capt^n^ Sam^ll^ Wilkinson & John Angell have both of them tendred themselves to give bond with y^e^ sd Widdow for her legall Administration on sd Estate. /

Jt is ordered by y^e^ Councill, That Tho: Olney y^e^ Clerk of the Councill shall on y^e^ Council^s^ behalfe take bond of y^e^ said Widdow for her legall Administration on sd Estate; & on y^e^ Councill their behalfe to signe & seale unto said widdow a letter of Administration. /

The meeteing is Desolved; /

At a meeting of y^e^ Councill Tuesday y^e^ 7^th^ of December 1708 by adjornment.

this day Timothy Carpenter presented to y^e^ Councill an

Jnventary of his late deceased Son William Carpenter his Estate, but for as Much as y^e^ persons who tooke the sd Jnventary were not Presant the proceedes of y^e^ matter were left to y^e^ next meeting, or sitting of y^e^ Councill. /

Att a meeting of y^e^ Councill December y^e^ 13^th^: 1708: by adjornment; Timothy Carpenter hath this day made oath to y^e^ Jnventary of his deceased Son william Carpenter his Estate that in sd Jnventary is Contained all his sd Son his Estate that he knoweth of, & if More at any time doe Come to | his | knowledge it shall be added. /

vnto the aforesd Jnventary there was three Persons (viz) Ephraim Carpenter, Elisha Arnold & Charles Haines, but unto y^e^ first page only Benjamin Carpenter & Charles Haines were acting, & only Benjamin Carpenter Sworne, (Charles Haines not being at y^e^ Councill, he being gone out of y^e^ Towne) & to y^e^ second page Benjamin Carpenter & Elisha Arnold were active, both sworne. /

Jt is Ordered by the Councill that Tho: Olney Clerk of the Councill shall on y^e^ Councill their behalfe take bond of Timothy Carpenter Concerning y^e^ Administration on his deceased son william Carpenter his Estate, y^e^ Councill have Comitted the Administration of sd Estate to him the said Timothy Carpenter. / And also that the sd Tho: Olney Clerk shall grant a letter of Administration, or to say, shall on the Councill their behalfe & in their name signe & seale a letter of Administration on sd Estate to the said Timothy Carpenter;

Here followeth an Jnventary of y^e^ sd william Carpenter his Estate; The Record thereof. /

An Jnventary of y^e^ Goods, Chattills, debts & Creadits of william Carpenter of Pautuxett in y^e^ Towneshipp of Providence,

in the Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations: who was drownded at Pautuxett ffalls y^e^ 29^th^ day of October 1708.

One Auger	00–02–06
Two Padlocks	00–02–00
A paire of Mony scales	00–06–00
Spikes & Gimlett	00–00–11
A shell	00–00–08
Powder	00–01–06
A Tunnell	00–01–00
A Glass Bottle	00–00–05
Money	01–17–11
Silver buttons	00–01–10
Chest & small things that was in it	00–09–06
[167] Weareing Apparrill	06–10–00
A Carpenters Rule	00–03–00
Belt & Curdush Box	00–02–06
old Jron	00–01–00
A sadle	00–16–00
His part of Horses	02–13–04
Adds	00–04–00
Bell	00–02–00
Tribble	00–01–00
Boat	43–00–00
skow	00–05–00
this is a true Jnventary aprized to y^e^ best of our understandings of what we can find at present; he being not yet found we are at present uncertaine of his debts & Creadicts; & it is supposed that his booke of accounts is in his Pockett | may ffurther signifie; |	57–02–01

Taken this first day of November 1708 by us Benjamin Carpenter, Charles Haines.

More Come to light set downe on y^e^ back side. /

To weareing Apparrill that he had on & other small Matters	01–10–00
To Money	02–00–00
To booke debts due to him	04–13–04
To debts due from him	33–14–05

This is a true Jnventary according to y^e^ best of our understanding of what is now brought to us.

Taken this 7^th^ day of December 1708: by us

Benjamin Carpenter
Elisha Arnold.

At a meeting of y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence December y^e^ 13^th^ 1708, Timothy Carpenter Made oath to y^e^ truth of both parts of y^e^ aforesd Jnventary & so also did Benjamin Carpenter, Elisha Arnold only to y^e^ last part. / Taken in Councill. /

Whereas you Timothy Carpenter of Pautuxet in y^e^ Towneship of Providence, in y^e^ Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in y^e^ Narragansett Bay in New England, haveing desired the Administration on y^e^ Estate of your late deceased Son William Carpenter of sd Pautuxet, And y^e^ Towne Councill of sd Providence haveing Granted y^e^ same unto you; You haveing already given in bond to y^e^ sd Councill for y^e^ true & legall performance of y^e^ sd Administration: Wee y^e^ Towne Councill of sd Providence (viz) Joseph Jencks Assistant, Thomas ffenner Assistant, together with all & every y^e^ rest of y^e^ sd Councill joyntly doe now by these presents invest you with full Power of Administration (so farr forth as the law impowereth

us) to Administer on y^e^ Estate of your sd deceased Son William Carpenter, & y^e^ same in all poynts legally to doe & performe according as y^e^ law doth direct, & to render an account of your proceeds therein to y^e^ Councill from time to time when by them Required.

Dated January y^e^ 25^th^: 1708/9 — By Order of y^e^ Councill &
Recorded January y^e^ 26^th^ 1708/9 — on theire behalfe Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e^ Councill
℔ Tho: Olney Clerk. /

At a meeting of y^e^ Councill November y^e^ 26^th^: 1708.

This day Mary Owen & Mercy Estance the daughters of the deceased Thomas Estance of this Towne of Providence, & Josiah Owen jun^r^ husband to y^e^ aforesd Mary this day Exhibitted an Jnventary to y^e^ Councill of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ said deceased Thomas Estance, & did declare to the Councill that they did imploy James Dexter & Joseph Browne to take an Jnventary of y^e^ sd Estate, y^e^ which is the Jnventary which is Exhibbited:

The sd James Dexter & Joseph Browne made Oath to y^e^ aforesd Jnventary as to what was brought to their vew or what they knew of. /

The aforesd Mary Owen, Josiah Owen jun^r^ & Mercy Estance, & also Henry Estance, Brother to y^e^ sd deceased Thomas Estance, before y^e^ Councill Made oath, that what is Contained in the aforesd Jnventary is all & whole the Moveable Estate of y^e^ said deceased Thomas Estance as any of them know of, & if any More doe come afterwards to knowledge it shall be added to sd Jnventary: The meeting is adjorned unto [**168**] unto Tuesday y^e^ 7^th^ of December next

Tuesday y^e^ 7^th^ of December 1708: y^e^ meeting is againe in being Whereas it was uncertaine to y^e^ Councill whether or no

y^t Thomas Estance & Priscilla Hardin were married together whereby y^e Councill was at some stand how to act Concerning the sd Estance his Estate, but now M^r Joseph Jenckes haveing given Testemony that When he was a Majestrate he joyned them together in Marriage, whereby that Matter is out of doubt; And whereas there was a query whether Mary Estance (now Mary Owen) was born before her ffather & Mother was married together, or since; That Matter is Now made Cleare that shee was borne some Weekes after her ffather & Mothers Marriage, as appears by M^rs Esther Jenckes her Testemony. /

At a Councill Meeting Munday the 20^th of December 1708. /

Whereas at a Meeting of y^e Councill November y^e 26^th 1708 there was by Mary Owen, wife of Josiah Owen jun^r of this Towne of Providence, & daughter of y^e late deceased Thomas Estance, & also Mercy Estance daughter of of y^e sd Thomas Estance, & also by y^e sd Josiah Owen jun^r: all joyntly together an Jnventary of y^e Estate of y^e said deceased Thomas Estance Exhibitted to y^e Councill; they all then haveing Made Oath to y^e sd Jnventary: And also upon Engagement Henry Estance Brother to y^e sd deceased Thomas Estance (who was Concerned with some of y^e sd Estate) haveing declared Concerning the said Jnventary, whereupon y^e Councill did proceede to the settling of sd Estate (The sd thomas Estance dying intested) Bondsmen being tendred & accepted as to Administration at y^e Meeting of y^e Councill December y^e 7^th: 1708 by adjornment: But before Matters were fully Effected as to y^e aforesd Proceeds, as bond not being taken nor any letter of Administration given, the aforesd Persons to whome y^e sd Estate did belong, as Namely y^e sd Josiah Owen jun^r & Mary his wife, & Mercy Estance the other daughter of y^e sd

Thomas Estance haveing sued unto the Councill & desired of them that they y^e^ sd Councill themselves would order & dispose the sd Estate by way of Administration according to their wisdoms as the law should them direct: Vpon their Request the Councill Considering that one part of y^e^ aforesd Estate doth Consist in hay & in a stock of Cattell the which Requires Emediat Care thereof to be taken: the Councill doe therefore order Major Joseph Jencks & James Browne (who are two of y^e^ Councill) to make an Equall devision of all y^e^ hay which belongeth to y^e^ Estate of y^e^ deceased Thomas Estance, & also to make an Equall devision of all y^e^ Cattell which doe belong to y^e^ Estate of sd Thomas Estance, & to deliver y^e^ one halfe of y^e^ hay & y^e^ one halfe of y^e^ Cattell unto y^e^ sd Josiah Owen jun^r^ & mary his sd wife, & the other halfe of y^e^ sd hay & y^e^ sd Cattell to reserve for y^e^ aforesd Mercy Estance y^e^ daughter of y^e^ sd thomas Estance (shee not yet being of lawfull age to receive her portion; that is to say, of Twenty & one yeares of Age; nor will not be, (so neare as y^e^ Councill Can find out by y^e^ best search as they Can make) untill the fourth day of Aprill next Ensueing: And for as Much as there is a Necessitye of makeing a presant devision of sd Estate, the sd two Cildren of sd Thomas Estance (viz) Mary & Mercy being in want, the Councill have ordered as aforesd; And that the said major Jenckes & James Browne shall also Equally devide all the Rest of y^e^ Moveable Estate, to say goods belonging to y^e^ sd deceased Thomas Estance (Excepting the Mony) & deliver y^e^ one halfe of y^e^ sd moveable goods unto the sd Josiah Owen & Mary his sd wife; & the other halfe thereof to Reserve for Mercy y^e^ other daughter of y^e^ sd Thomas Estance, & so also to devide all y^e^ Corne & what Graine belongs to sd Estate, & dispose it in part in Manner as aforesd.

And the Counssill doe [**169**] doe hereby desire & Order & appoynt Henry Estance (who is brother to y^e^ sd Thomas Estance to take into his Care and Custody all that part of y^e^ hay & Cattell the which upon devision shall belong unto sd Mercy Estance, & to Expend the said hay upon said Cattell this winter; tending the sd Cattell as well as Conveniently he may: The said Henry Estance hath accepted thereof & Promised that he will doe y^e^ best he Can Concernig y^e^ same: And it is ordered that y^e^ said Henry Estance shall take into his Care & Custody all y^e^ said Mercy her part of said Moveable goods & Corne the same to secure untill by y^e^ Councills Order it be Called for: And Whereas what Money was found of y^e^ Estate of y^e^ sd Thomas Estance, it being yet in the hand of y^e^ said Henry Estance, the Councill doe order that it shall yet there Remaine untill the Councill doe see Cause other waies to order it, by Reason that it is not yet knowne what debts will be Called for out of y^e^ Estate, & also that the sd Mercy is not yet of Age to receive her portion:

But for as much as y^e^ sd Mary & y^e^ sd Mercy are both in presant want of some Money the Councill doe hereby Order that y^e^ sd Major Jenckes & James Browne shall take out thirteene Pounds of sd Money & deliver unto y^e^ sd Josiah Owen jun^r^; & sd Mary his wife; And also six pounds of sd Mony & deliver unto sd Mercy Estance; And whereas sd Josiah Owen jun^r^ hath signified that he hath discharged some of the debts which are due from sd Estate; the Councill doe hereby Order that y^e^ sd Owen shall forthwith take Receipts of those persons unto whome he hath paid those debts, & of all others unto Whome he shall yet pay such debts & deliver y^e^ sd Receipts to Major Jencks or to James Browne.

The Meeting is desolved./

vpon y^e 22^nd day of December 1708 Tho: Olney Clerk of y^e Councill set up a written Paper upon a publick in this Towne to make open Proclamation to all Creaditors to y^e Estate of y^e late deceased Thomas Estance, speedely to bring in their accounts to Major Jencks or James Browne. /

An Jnventarey of y^e Moveable Estate of y^e deceased Thomas Estance of Providence who departed this life y^e fifth day of November Anno: Domini: 1708. /

	Jmprimis To bedding & Weareing Apparrill	01–15–00
Jt	To Narrow Axes Hoes & other Jron Tooles as forks, Tines, siths, spade, Apple pounder an old Gun	02–10–06
	To a Porridge Pott, Tramill Lettin Tunnell & Pott hooks	00–14–00
Jt	To old Jron & a Crow	00–08–06
Jt	To a Brass Kettle	00–14–00
Jt	To a Deere skinn drest	00–12–00
Jt	To Lumber as Barrills, Tubbs Chaires	01–05–00
Jt	To a Meale Bagg	00–03–00
Jt	To a Plough & Harrow	01–01–00
Jt	To Apples	00–16–06
Jt	To Jndian Corne & beanes	04–10–00
Jt	To 3 Barrills & halfe of Beere	00–12–00
Jt	To a Cidar Trough	00–04–00
Jt	To Cord wood	00–07–06
Jt	To seven head of Neat Cattell & hay	15–05–00
Jt	To Mony at Thomas Cellar by y^e fifteene peny weit	14–02–00
Jt	To a wooden bottle & 3 Glass Bottles	00–03–06
Jt	To a Sword at his Brother Henrys	00–05–00

Jt	To a Chest at Henrys & severall things in it	00–13–00
Jt	To Mony left in his Brother Henrys hands by y^e^ fifteene peny weight	38–05–04
Jt	To a Gill Pott & Pewter Poorell	00–02–06
	A True Jnventary taken by us this Eight day of november 1708.	84–07–10

[170] James Dexter
Joseph Browne.

James Dexter & Joseph Browne made Oath to y^e^ abovesd Jnventary before y^e^ Councill november y^e^ 26^th^: 1708

Mary owen & Mercy Estance, the daughters of the deceased Thomas Estance, & Josiah Owen jun^r^ who is husband to y^e^ aforesd Mary, & Henry Estance brother to y^e^ sd Thomas Estance all appeared before y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence y^e^ 26^th^ of November 1708 & made Oath that the abovesd Jnventary Contains all & whole y^e^ Moveable Estate of y^e^ sd deceased thomas Estance as any of them know of, & if More doe Come afterwards to knowledge it shall be added to this Jnventary; And that y^e^ sd Mary Owen & Mercy Estance, & Josiah Owen did imploy James Dexter & Joseph Browne to take y^e^ abovesd Jnventary.

Taken in Councill. /

What is above written on this side of this leaf belongs to y^e^ Jnventary on y^e^ other side of this leafe. /

At a meeting of y^e^ Towne Councill ffriday y^e^ 9^th^ of Septemb^r^ 1709

This day Mary Blackmar, (widdow of y^e^ late deceased James Blackmar hath Exhibited her sd deceased husband the Jnventarey of his Estate, desireing the Councill their Examination & Approbation thereof.

Mary BlackMar hath before y^e^ Councill Made Oath to y^e^ aforesd Jnventarey, & so also hath Major will^m^ Hopkins & M^r^ Joseph Williams & Edward Hawkings who made & tooke the said Jnventarey.

Jt is ordered by the Councill, That Thomas Olney Clerk doe on y^e^ Councill their behalfe take bond of the aforesd mary Blackmar Widdow of the aforesaid | deceased | James Blackmar & of John Blackmar her son, unto which said two Persons, (at their Request) the Councill have Granted, & Comitted y^e^ Administration of y^e^ sd Estate of y^e^ said James Blackmar (deceased), As also together with y^e^ said mary BlackMar & John Blackmar to take bond of two other Persons (viz) Edward Hawkings senior & any other Person whome y^e^ sd Thomas Olney shall Admitt of; And upon y^e^ Recept of y^e^ sd bond so premised, Then for y^e^ sd Thomas Olney Clerk, on y^e^ Councill their behalfe to signe seale & deliver unto y^e^ sd Mary BlackMar & John Blackmar a letter of Administration to Adminester on y^e^ sd Estate; The aforesd James Blackmar dying intested;

Here followeth y^e^ Record of y^e^ Jnventarey of y^e^ Estate of the deceased James Blackmar | of Providence Towne | who departed this life the 14^th^ day of August 1709.

An Jnventary of y^e^ Estate of James Blackmar deceased who departed this life y^e^ 14^th^ day of August 1709. /

		lb	s	d
	Imprimis, To his weareing Apparrill	04	00	00
Jt	To Corne on y^e^ Ground	03	15	00
Jt	To Hay Eleven loades	05	10	00
Jt	To one ffether bedd & bedding	10	00	00
Jt	To one fflock bedd & bedding	03	00	00

Jt	To five sheets	01–10–00
Jt	To an old Rugg & one old Blanket & 3 Coverlids	02–00–00
Jt	To two beddstids	00–15–00
Jt	To Cotten yarne	00–16–00
Jt	To a warmeing pann	00–12–00
Jt	To a wast bolt	00–01–06
Jt	To two old Chests	00–10–00
Jt	To a wenscot Chest & a box	01–03–00
Jt	To a small Gunn & sword	02–00–00
Jt	To five Old Chaires	00–05–00
Jt	To Pewter, 5 Platters, 2 basons & 2 plates & 5 Porrengers	01–10–00
Jt	To 3 basons & a quart Pott, & pint pot, & Gill pot, a salt siller	00–10–00

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		lb s d
Jt	To spoones & scimer & Candlestick & brass skilletts	00–10–00
Jt	To a Tin Dripping pan & Trenchers, & some woodend dishes & 2 pails	00–08–00
Jt	To a brass Kittle & an Jron Pot & 2 Trammells & a ℔ of Tongs	01–00–00
Jt	To an Jron Kittle, a Grid Jron & a spit, box Jron & heaters	00–13–00
Jt	To Meat & butter & Cheese	01–10–00
Jt	To an old Kittle with some soape	00–10–00
Jt	To Trays & Keeler, & a small Tub, & cherne, & fire slice	00–14–00
Jt	To ffrying pann & an old Sickle	00–04–00
Jt	To 2 linnen Wheeles & a woollen wheele	00–10–00

Jt	To Axes & Beetle & Wedges	01–08–00
Jt	To wooll & flax	01–14–08
Jt	To a short Gunn & some old Jron	01–04–00
Jt	To a small Table	00–06–00
Jt	To Old Cards & branding Jron	00–07–00
Jt	To a looking Glass	00–03–00
Jt	To a silver dram Cupp	00–10–00
Jt	To a Bedd & bedding in y^e^ Chamber, & bedd sted	05–06–00
Jt	To Corne in y^e^ Chamber & Rye	02–06–00
Jt	To a Bagg	00–02–00
Jt	To Cart & wheeles & Plough & Chaines & Cart Tackling	05–04–00
Jt	To Tobaco on y^e^ ground	00–18–00
Jt	To two Oxen & six Cowes	28–00–00
Jt	To two steeres, three & vantage	05–12–00
Jt	To six two & vantage heifers	12–00–00
Jt	To two yeare & vantage Cattell	02–00–00
Jt	To an old horse	04–00–00
Jt	To foure Cowes	11–00–00
Jt	To a Cheese press & a brake	00–06–00
Jt	To two swine	01–12–00

This is a faire Jnventarey of y^e^ said Estate to the best of our vnderstanding taken this 26^th^ day of August 1709 by us Will^m^ Hopkins, Joseph Williams, Edward Hawkings Vpon y^e^ back side of y^e^ paper whereon y^e^ Jnventarey which is above Recorded, was written it is Endorsed as followeth; (viz) ffryday September y^e^ 9^th^ 1709; The Jnventarey on y other side of this paper written was by y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence Examined;

Attests Tho: Olney Clerk. /

Here followeth the Record of y^e^ letter of Administration by y^e^ Councill Granted to Mary Blackmar (widdow) & to her son John Blackmar. /

Whereas James Blackmar of y^e^ Towne of Providence in y^e^ Collony of Rhode Jsland & Providence Plantations in new England, departed this life y^e^ 14^th^ day of August 1709: & dying intested whereby y^e^ Administration of his Estate fell to y^e^ Care & dispose of y^e^ Towne Councill of sd Providence; And whereas you Mary Blackmar, widdow of the aforesd deceased James Blackmar, & also John Blackmar his son have desired to take the Administration on y^e^ Estate of your said deceased husband & ffather James Blackmar & y^e^ Councill haveing unto you granted y^e^ same, & you haveing given bond to y^e^ Councill for y^e^ legall & true performance thereof; Therefore wee the now Towne Councill of sd Providence (viz) Joseph Jencks jun^r^ Assistant & Thomas ffenner Assistant together with all others the now Towne Councill of said Providence, Doe now by these presents Comitt unto you y^e^ aforesd Mary Blackmar & John Blackmar the whole Power of Administration on y^e^ Estate of your | sd | deceased husband & ffather y^e^ aforesd James Blackmar, so farr forth as y^e^ law doth us impower, you on y^e^ same to Administer & legally to act doe & performe in all perticulars according as y^e^ law in such Cases doth Require; And to Render an account of your Administration thereon unto y^e^ Councill from time to time when by them Required.

Dated September the 16^th^ 1709. /

By Order of y^e^ Towne Councill of Providence & on their behalfe

Tho: Olney Clerk.

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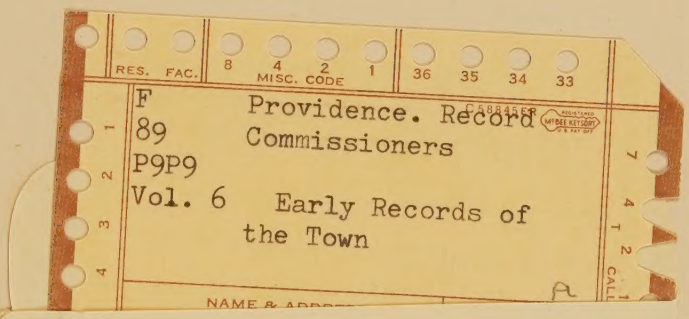

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